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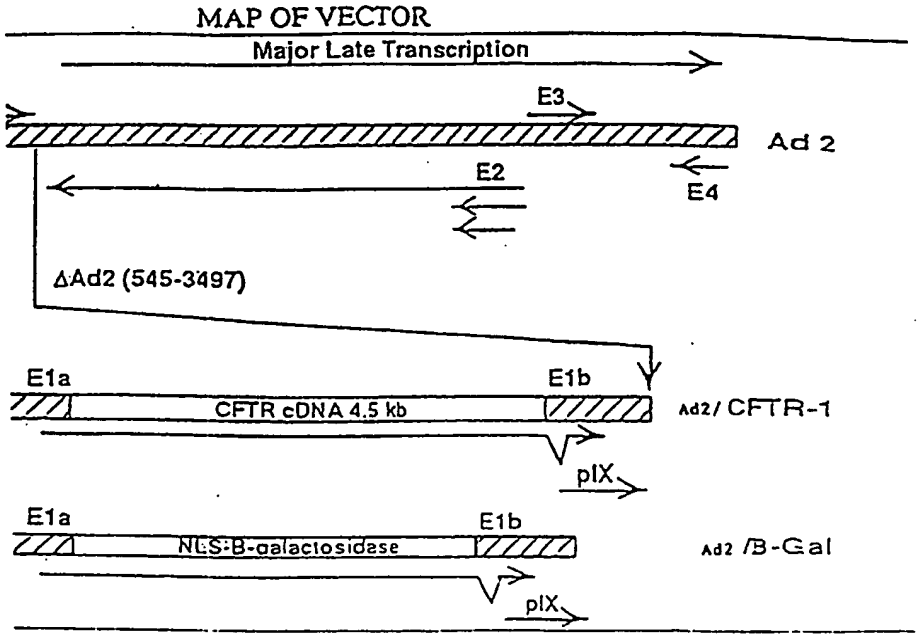
(57) Abstract

Gene Therapy vectors, which are especially useful for cystic fibrosis, and methods for using the vectors are disclosed. In preferred embodiments, the vectors are adenovirus-based. Advantages of adenovirus-based vectors for gene therapy are that they appear to be relatively safe and can be manipulated to encode the desired gene product and at the same time are inactivated in terms of their ability to replicate in a normal lytic viral life cycle. Additionally, adenovirus has a natural tropism for airway epithelia. Therefore, adenovirus-based vectors are particularly preferred for respiratory gene therapy applications such as gene therapy for cystic fibrosis. In one embodiment, the adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprises an adenovirus 2 serotype genome in which the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication have been deleted and replaced by genetic material of interest (e.g., DNA encoding the cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator protein). In another embodiment, the adenovirus-based therapy vector is a pseudo-adenovirus (PAV). PAVs contain no potentially harmful viral genes, have a theoretical capacity for foreign material of nearly 36 kb, may be produced in reasonably high titers and maintain the tropism of the parent adenovirus for dividing and non-dividing human target cell types.



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GENE THERAPY FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Related Applications

This application is a continuation-in-part application of United States Serial Number 08/130,682, filed on October 1, 1993 which is a continuation-in-part application of United States Serial Number 07/985,478, filed on December 2, 1992, which is a continuation-in-part application of United States Serial Number 07/613,592, filed on November 15, 1990, which is in turn a continuation-in-part application of United States Serial Number 07/589,295, filed on September 27, 1990, which is itself a continuation-in-part application of United States Serial Number 07/488,307, filed on March 5, 1990. The contents of all of the above co-pending patent applications are incorporated herein by reference. Definitions of language or terms not provided in the present application are the same as those set forth in the copending applications. Any reagents or materials used in the examples of the present application whose source is not expressly identified also is the same as those described in the copending application, e.g., ΔF508 CFTR gene and CFTR antibodies.

Background of the Invention

Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is the most common fatal genetic disease in humans (Boat, T.F. et al. in The Metabolic Basis of Inherited Diseases (Scriver, C.R. et al. eds., McGraw-Hill, New York (1989)). Approximately one in every 2,500 infants in the United States is born with the disease. At the present time, there are approximately 30,000 CF patients in the United States. Despite current standard therapy, the median age of survival is only 26 years. Disease of the pulmonary airways is the major cause of morbidity and is responsible for 95% of the mortality. The first manifestation of lung disease is often a cough, followed by progressive dyspnea. Tenacious sputum becomes purulent because of colonization of Staphylococcus and then with Pseudomonas. Chronic bronchitis and bronchiectasis can be partially treated with current therapy, but the course is punctuated by increasingly frequent exacerbations of the pulmonary disease. As the disease progresses, the patient's activity is progressively limited. End-stage lung disease is heralded by increasing hypoxemia, pulmonary hypertension, and cor pulmonale.

The upper airways of the nose and sinuses are also involved in CF. Most patients with CF develop chronic sinusitis. Nasal polyps occur in 15-20% of patients and are common by the second decade of life. Gastrointestinal problems are also frequent in CF; infants may suffer meconium ileus. Exocrine pancreatic insufficiency, which produces symptoms of malabsorption, is present in the large majority of patients with CF. Males are almost uniformly infertile and fertility is decreased in females.

Based on both genetic and molecular analyses, a gene associated with CF was isolated as part of 21 individual cDNA clones and its protein product predicted (Kerem, B.S. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1073-1080; Riordan, J.R. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1066-1073;

Rommens, J.M. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1059-1065)). United States Serial Number 07/488,307 describes the construction of the gene into a continuous strand, expression of the gene as a functional protein and confirmation that mutations of the gene are responsible for CF. (*See also* Gregory, R.J. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:382-386; Rich, D.P. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:358-362). The co-pending patent application also discloses experiments which show that proteins expressed from wild type but not a mutant version of the cDNA complemented the defect in the cAMP regulated chloride channel shown previously to be characteristic of CF.

The protein product of the CF associated gene is called the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) (Riordan, J.R. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1066-1073). CFTR is a protein of approximately 1480 amino acids made up of two repeated elements, each comprising six transmembrane segments and a nucleotide binding domain. The two repeats are separated by a large, polar, so-called R-domain containing multiple potential phosphorylation sites. Based on its predicted domain structure, CFTR is a member of a class of related proteins which includes the multi-drug resistance (MDR) or P-glycoprotein, bovine adenyl cyclase, the yeast STE6 protein as well as several bacterial amino acid transport proteins (Riordan, J.R. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1066-1073; Hyde, S.C. et al. (1990) *Nature* 346:362-365). Proteins in this group, characteristically, are involved in pumping molecules into or out of cells.

CFTR has been postulated to regulate the outward flow of anions from epithelial cells in response to phosphorylation by cyclic AMP-dependent protein kinase or protein kinase C (Riordan, J.R. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1066-1073; Welsh, 1986; Frizzell, R.A. et al. (1986) *Science* 233:558-560; Welsh, M.J. and Liedtke, C.M. (1986) *Nature* 322:467; Li, M. et al. (1988) *Nature* 331:358-360; Huang, T-C. et al. (1989) *Science* 244:1351-1353).

Sequence analysis of the CFTR gene of CF chromosomes has revealed a variety of mutations (Cutting, G.R. et al. (1990) *Nature* 346:366-369; Dean, M. et al. (1990) *Cell* 61:863-870; and Kerem, B-S. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1073-1080; Kerem, B-S. et al. (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* USA 87:8447-8451). Population studies have indicated that the most common CF mutation, a deletion of the 3 nucleotides that encode phenylalanine at position 508 of the CFTR amino acid sequence (ΔF508), is associated with approximately 70% of the cases of cystic fibrosis. This mutation results in the failure of an epithelial cell chloride channel to respond to cAMP (Frizzell R.A. et al. (1986) *Science* 233:558-560; Welsh, M.J. (1986) *Science* 232:1648-1650.; Li, M. et al. (1988) *Nature* 331:358-360; Quinton, P.M. (1989) *Clin. Chem.* 35:726-730). In airway cells, this leads to an imbalance in ion and fluid transport. It is widely believed that this causes abnormal mucus secretion, and ultimately results in pulmonary infection and epithelial cell damage.

Studies on the biosynthesis (Cheng, S.H. et al. (1990) *Cell* 63:827-834; Gregory, R.J. et al. (1991) *Mol. Cell Biol.* 11:3886-3893) and localization (Denning, G.M. et al. (1992) *J. Cell Biol.* 118:551-559) of CFTR ΔF508, as well as other CFTR mutants, indicate that many CFTR mutant proteins are not processed correctly and, as a result, are not delivered to the

plasma membrane (Gregory, R.J. et al. (1991) *Mol. Cell Biol.* 11:3886-3893). These conclusions are consistent with earlier functional studies which failed to detect cAMP-stimulated Cl^- channels in cells expressing CFTR ΔF508 (Rich, D.P. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:358-363; Anderson, M.P. et al. (1991) *Science* 251:679-682).

To date, the primary objectives of treatment for CF have been to control infection, promote mucus clearance, and improve nutrition (Boat, T.F. et al. in The Metabolic Basis of Inherited Diseases (Scriver, C.R. et al. eds., McGraw-Hill, New York (1989)). Intensive antibiotic use and a program of postural drainage with chest percussion are the mainstays of therapy. However, as the disease progresses, frequent hospitalizations are required. Nutritional regimens include pancreatic enzymes and fat-soluble vitamins. Bronchodilators are used at times. Corticosteroids have been used to reduce inflammation, but they may produce significant adverse effects and their benefits are not certain. In extreme cases, lung transplantation is sometimes attempted (Marshall, S. et al. (1990) *Chest* 98:1488).

Most efforts to develop new therapies for CF have focused on the pulmonary complications. Because CF mucus consists of a high concentration of DNA, derived from lysed neutrophils, one approach has been to develop recombinant human DNase (Shak, S. et al. (1990) *Proc. Natl. Sci. Acad USA* 87:9188). Preliminary reports suggest that aerosolized enzyme may be effective in reducing the viscosity of mucus. This could be helpful in clearing the airways of obstruction and perhaps in reducing infections. In an attempt to limit damage caused by an excess of neutrophil derived elastase, protease inhibitors have been tested. For example, alpha-1-antitrypsin purified from human plasma has been aerosolized to deliver enzyme activity to lungs of CF patients (McElvaney, N. et al. (1991) *The Lancet* 337:392). Another approach would be the use of agents to inhibit the action of oxidants derived from neutrophils. Although biochemical parameters have been successfully measured, the long term beneficial effects of these treatments have not been established.

Using a different rationale, other investigators have attempted to use pharmacological agents to reverse the abnormally decreased chloride secretion and increased sodium absorption in CF airways. Defective electrolyte transport by airway epithelia is thought to alter the composition of the respiratory secretions and mucus (Boat, T.F. et al. in The Metabolic Basis of Inherited Diseases (Scriver, C.R. et al. eds., McGraw-Hill, New York (1989); Quinton, P.M. (1990) *FASEB J.* 4:2709-2717). Hence, pharmacological treatments aimed at correcting the abnormalities in electrolyte transport could be beneficial. Trials are in progress with aerosolized versions of the drug amiloride; amiloride is a diuretic that inhibits sodium channels, thereby inhibiting sodium absorption. Initial results indicate that the drug is safe and suggest a slight change in the rate of disease progression, as measured by lung function tests (Knowles, M. et al. (1990) *N. Eng. J. Med.* 322: 1189-1194; App, E.(1990) *Am. Rev. Respir. Dis.* 141:605). Nucleotides, such as ATP or UTP, stimulate purinergic receptors in the airway epithelium. As a result, they open a class of chloride channel that is different from CFTR chloride channels. *In vitro* studies indicate that ATP and UTP can stimulate

chloride secretion (Knowles, M. et al. (1991) *N. Eng. J. Med.* 325:533). Preliminary trials to test the ability of nucleotides to stimulate secretion *in vivo*, and thereby correct the electrolyte transport abnormalities are underway.

Despite progress in therapy, cystic fibrosis remains a lethal disease, and no current therapy treats the basic defect. However, two general approaches may prove feasible. These are: 1) protein replacement therapy to deliver the wild type protein to patients to augment their defective protein, and; 2) gene replacement therapy to deliver wild type copies of the CF associated gene. Since the most life threatening manifestations of CF involve pulmonary complications, epithelial cells of the upper airways are appropriate target cells for therapy.

The feasibility of gene therapy has been established by introducing a wild type cDNA into epithelial cells from a CF patient and demonstrating complementation of the hallmark defect in chloride ion transport (Rich, D.P. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:358-363). This initial work involved cells in tissue culture, however, subsequent work has shown that to deliver the gene to the airways of whole animals, defective adenoviruses may be useful (Rosenfeld, (1992) *Cell* 68:143-155). However, the safety and effectiveness of using defective adenoviruses remain to be demonstrated.

Summary of the Invention

In general, the instant invention relates to vectors for transferring selected genetic material of interest (e.g., DNA or RNA) to cells *in vivo*. In preferred embodiments, the vectors are adenovirus-based. Advantages of adenovirus-based vectors for gene therapy are that they appear to be relatively safe and can be manipulated to encode the desired gene product and at the same time are inactivated in terms of their ability to replicate in a normal lytic viral life cycle. Additionally, adenovirus has a natural tropism for airway epithelia. Therefore, adenovirus-based vectors are particularly preferred for respiratory gene therapy applications such as gene therapy for cystic fibrosis.

In one embodiment, the adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprises an adenovirus 2 serotype genome in which the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication have been deleted and replaced by genetic material of interest (e.g., DNA encoding the cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator protein).

In another embodiment, the adenovirus-based therapy vector is a pseudo-adenovirus (PAV). PAVs contain no potentially harmful viral genes, have a theoretical capacity for foreign material of nearly 36 kb, may be produced in reasonably high titers and maintain the tropism of the parent adenovirus for dividing and non-dividing human target cell types. PAVs comprise adenovirus inverted terminal repeats and the minimal sequences of a wild-type adenovirus type 2 genome necessary for efficient replication and packaging by a helper virus and genetic material of interest. In a preferred embodiment, the PAV contains adenovirus 2 sequences.

In a further embodiment, the adenovirus-based gene therapy vector contains the open reading frame 6 (ORF6) of adenoviral early region 4 (E4) from the E4 promoter and is deleted for all other E4 open reading frames. Optionally, this vector can include deletions in the E1 and/or E3 regions. Alternatively, the adenovirus-based gene therapy vector contains the open reading frame 3 (ORF3) of adenoviral E4 from the E4 promoter and is deleted for all other E4 open reading frames. Again, optionally, this vector can include deletions in the E1 and/or E3 regions. The deletion of non-essential open reading frames of E4 increases the cloning capacity by approximately 2 kb without significantly reducing the viability of the virus in cell culture. In combination with deletions in the E1 and/or E3 regions of adenovirus vectors, the theoretical insert capacity of the resultant vectors is increased to 8-9 kb.

The invention also relates to methods of gene therapy using the disclosed vectors and genetically engineered cells produced by the method.

Brief Description of the Tables and Drawings

Further understanding of the invention may be had by reference to the tables and figures wherein:

Table I shows CFTR mutants wherein the known association with CF (Y, yes or N, no), exon localization, domain location and presence (+) or absence (-) of bands A, B, and C of mutant CFTR species is shown. TM6, indicates transmembrane domain 6; NBD nucleotide binding domain; ECD, extracellular domain and Term, termination at 21 codons past residue 1337;

Table II shows the nucleotide sequence of Ad2/CFTR-1;

Table III depicts a nucleotide analysis of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR;

The convention for naming mutants is first the amino acid normally found at the particular residue, the residue number (Riordan, T.R. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1066-1073). and the amino acid to which the residue was converted. The single letter amino acid code is used: D, aspartic acid; F, phenylalanine; G, glycine; I, isoleucine; K, lysine; M, methionine; N, asparagine; Q, glutamine; R, arginine; S, serine; W, tryptophan. Thus G551D is a mutant in which glycine 551 is converted to aspartic acid;

Figure 1 shows alignment of CFTR partial cDNA clones used in construction of cDNA containing complete coding sequence of the CFTR, only restriction sites relevant to the DNA constructions described below are shown;

Figure 2 depicts plasmid construction of the CFTR cDNA clone pKK-CFTR1;

Figure 3 depicts plasmid construction of the CFTR cDNA clone pKK-CFTR2;

Figure 4 depicts plasmid construction of the CFTR cDNA clone pSC-CFTR2;

Figure 5 shows a plasmid map of the CFTR cDNA clone pSC-CFTR2;

Figure 6 shows the DNA sequence of synthetic DNAs used for insertion of an intron into the CFTR cDNA sequence, with the relevant restriction endonuclease sites and nucleotide positions noted;

Figures 7A and 7B depict plasmid construction of the CFTR cDNA clone pKK-CFTR3;

Figure 8 shows a plasmid map of the CFTR cDNA pKK-CFTR3 containing an intron between nucleotides 1716 and 1717;

Figure 9 shows treatment of CFTR with glycosidases;

Figures 10A and 10B show an analysis of CFTR expressed from COS-7 transfected cells;

Figures 11A and 11B show pulse-chase labeling of wild type and ΔF508 mutant CFTR in COS-7 transfected cells;

Figures 12A-12D show immunolocalization of wild type and ΔF508 mutant CFTR; and COS-7 cells transfected with pMT-CFTR or pMT-CFTR-ΔF508;

Figure 13 shows an analysis of mutant forms of CFTR;

Figure 14 shows a map of the first generation adenovirus based vector encoding CFTR (Ad2/CFTR-1);

Figure 15 shows the plasmid construction of the Ad2/CFTR-1 vector;

Figure 16 shows an example of UV fluorescence from an agarose gel electrophoresis of products of nested RT-PCR from lung homogenates of cotton rats which received Ad2/CFTR-1. The gel demonstrates that the homogenates were positive for virally-encoded CFTR mRNA;

Figure 17 shows an example of UV fluorescence from an agarose gel electrophoresis of products of nested RT-PCR from organ homogenates of cotton rats. The gel demonstrates that all organs of the infected rats were negative for Ad2/CFTR with the exception of the small bowel;

Figures 18A and 18B show differential cell analyses of bronchoalveolar lavage specimens from control and infected rats. These data demonstrate that none of the rats treated with Ad2/CFTR-1 had a change in the total or differential white blood cell count 4, 10, and 14 days after infection (Figure 18A) and 3, 7, and 14 days after infection (Figure 18B);

Figure 19 shows hematoxilyn and eosin stained sections of cotton rat tracheas from both treated and control rats sacrificed at different time points after infection with Ad2/CFTR-1. The sections demonstrate that there were no observable differences between the treated and control rats;

Figures 20A and 20B show examples of UV fluorescence from an agarose gel electrophoresis, stained with ethidium bromide, of products of RT-PCR from nasal brushings of Rhesus monkeys after application of Ad2/CFTR-1 or Ad2/β-Gal;

Figure 21 shows lights microscopy and immunocytochemistry from monkey nasal brushings. The microscopy revealed that there was a positive reaction when nasal epithelial cells from monkeys exposed to Ad2/CFTR-1 were stained with antibodies to CFTR;

Figure 22 shows immunocytochemistry of monkey nasal turbinate biopsies. This microscopy reveals increased immunofluorescence at the apical membrane of the surface epithelium from biopsies obtained from monkeys treated with Ad2/CFTR-1 over that seen at the apical membrane of the surface epithelium from biopsies obtained from control monkeys;

Figures 23A-23D show serum antibody titers in Rhesus monkeys after three vector administrations. These graphs demonstrate that all three monkeys treated with Ad2/CFTR-1 developed antibodies against adenovirus;

Figure 24 shows hematoxilyn and eosin stained sections from monkey medial turbinate biopsies. These sections demonstrate that turbinate biopsy specimens from control monkeys could not be differentiated from those from monkeys treated with Ad2/CFTR-1 when reviewed by an independent pathologist;

Figures 25A-25I show photomicrographs of human nasal mucosa immediately before, during, and after Ad2/CFTR-1 application. These photomicrographs demonstrate that inspection of the nasal mucosa showed mild to moderate erythema, edema, and exudate in patients treated with Ad2/CFTR-1 (Figures 25A-25C) and in control patients (Figures 25G-25I). These changes were probably due to local anesthesia and vasocontriction because when an additional patient was exposed to Ad2/CFTR in a method which did not require the use of local anesthesia or vasoconstriction, there were no symptoms and the nasal mucosa appeared normal (Figures 25D-25F);

Figure 26 shows a photomicrograph of a hematoxilyn and eosin stained biopsy of human nasal mucosa obtained from the third patient three days after Ad2/CFTR-1 administration. This section shows a morphology consistent with CF, i.e., a thickened basement membrane and occasional morphonuclear cells in the submucosa, but no abnormalities that could be attributed to the adenovirus vector;

Figure 27 shows transepithelial voltage (V_t) across the nasal epithelium of a normal human subject. Amiloride (μM) and terbutaline (μM) were perfused onto the mucosal surface beginning at the times indicated. Under basal conditions (V_t) was electrically negative. Perfusion of amiloride onto the mucosal surface inhibited (V_t) by blocking apical Na^+ channels;

Figures 28A and 28B show transepithelial voltage (V_t) across the nasal epithelium of normal human subjects (Figure 28A) and patients with CF (Figure 28B). Values were obtained under basal conditions, during perfusion with amiloride (μM), and during perfusion of amiloride plus terbutaline (μM) onto the mucosal surface. Data are from seven normal subjects and nine patients with CF. In patients with CF, (V_t) was more electrically negative than in normal subjects (Figure 28B). Amiloride inhibited (V_t) in CF patients, as it did in normal subjects. However, V_t failed to hyperpolarize when terbutaline was perfused onto the epithelium in the presence of amiloride. Instead, (V_t) either did not change or became less negative, a result very different from that observed in normal subjects;

Figures 29A and 29B show transepithelial voltage (V_t) across the nasal epithelium of a third patient before (Figure 29A) and after (Figure 29B) administration of approximately 25 MOI of Ad2/CFTR-1. Amiloride and terbutaline were perfused onto the mucosal surface beginning at the times indicated. Figure 29A shows an example from the third patient before treatment. Figure 29B shows that in contrast to the response before Ad2/CFTR-1 was applied, after virus replication, in the presence of amiloride, terbutaline stimulated V_t;

Figures 30A-30F show the time of course changes in transepithelial electrical properties before and after administration of Ad2/CFTR-1. Figures 30A and 30B are from the first patient who received approximately 1 MOI; Figures 30C and 30D are from the second patient who received approximately 3 MOI; and Figures 30E and 30F are from the third patient who received approximately 25 MOI. Figures 30A, 30C, and 30E show values of basal transeptithelial voltage (V_t) and Figures 30B, 30D, and 30F show the change in transepithelial voltage (ΔV_t) following perfusion of terbutaline in the presence of amiloride. Day zero indicates the day of Ad2/CFTR-1 administration. Figures 30A, 30C, and 30E show the time course of changes in basal V_t for all three patients. The decrease in basal V_t suggests that application of Ad2/CFTR-1 corrected the CF electrolyte transport defect in nasal epithelium of all three patients. Additional evidence came from an examination of the response to terbutaline. Figures 30B, 30D, and 30F show the time course of the response. These data indicate that Ad2/CFTR-1 corrected the CF defect in Cl^- transport;

Figure 31 shows the time course of changes in transepithelial electrical properties before and after administration of saline instead of Ad2/CFTR-1 to CF patients. Day zero indicates the time of mock administration. The top graph shows basal transepithelial voltage (V_t) and the bottom graph shows the change in transepithelial voltage following perfusion with terbutaline in the presence of amiloride (ΔV_t). Closed symbols are data from two patients that received local anesthetic/vasoconstriction and placement of the applicator for thirty minutes. Open symbol is data from a patient that received local anesthetic/vasoconstriction, but not placement of the applicator. Symptomatic changes and physical findings were the same as those observed in CF patients treated with a similar administration procedure and Ad2/CFTR-1;

Figure 32 shows a map of the second generation adenovirus based vector, PAV;

Figure 33 shows the plasmid construction of a second generation adenoviral vector 6 (Ad E4 ORF6);

Figure 34 is a schematic of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR which differs from Ad2/CFTR in that the latter utilized the endogenous Ela promoter, had no poly A addition signal directly downstream of CFTR and retained an intact E4 region;

Figure 35 shows short-circuit currents from human CF nasal polyp epithelial cells infected with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR at multiplicities of 0.3, 3, and 50. At the indicated times: (1) 10 μM amiloride, (2) cAMP agonists (10 μM forskolin and 100 μM IBMX, and (3) 1 mM diphenylamine-2-carboxylate were added to the mucosal solution;

Figures 36A-36D show immunocytochemistry of nasal brushings by laser scanning microscopy of the Rhesus monkey C, before infection (36A) and on 7 days (36B); 24 (36C); and 38 (36D) after the first infection with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR;

Figures 37A-37D show immunocytochemistry of nasal brushings by laser scanning microscopy of Rhesus monkey D, before infection (37A) and on days 7 (37B); 24 (37C); and 48 (37D) after the first infection with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR;

Figures 38A-38D show immunocytochemistry of nasal brushings by laser scanning microscopy of the Rhesus monkey E, before infection (38A) and on days 7 (38B); 24 (38C); and 48 (38D) after the first infection with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR;

Figures 39A-39C show summaries of the clinical signs (or lack thereof) of infection with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR;

Figures 40A-40C shows a summary of blood counts, sedimentation rate, and clinical chemistries after infection with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR for monkeys C, D, and E. There was no evidence of a systemic inflammatory response or other abnormalities of the clinical chemistries;

Figure 41 shows summaries of white blood cells counts in monkeys C, D, and E after infection with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. These date indictate that the administration of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR caused no change in the distribution and number of inflammatory cells at any of the time points following viral administration;

Figure 42 shows histology of submucosal biopsy performed on Rhesus monkey C on day 4 after the second viral instillation of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. Hematoxylin and eosin stain revealed no evidence of inflammation or cytopathic changes;

Figure 43 shows histology of submucosal biopsy performed on Rhesus monkey D on day 11 after the second viral instillation of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. Hematoxylin and eosin stain revealed no evidence of inflammation or cytopathic changes;

Figure 44 shows histology of submucosal biopsy performed on Rhesus monkey E on day 18 after the second viral instillation of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. Hematoxylin and eosin stain revealed no evidence of inflammation or cytopathic changes; and

Figures 45A-45C show antibody titers to adenovirus prior to and after the first and second administrations of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. Prior to administration of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-

CFTR, the monkeys had received instillations of Ad2/CFTR-1. Antibody titers measured by ELISA rose within one week after the first and second administrations of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. Serum neutralizing antibodies also rose within a week after viral administration and peaked at day 24. No anti-adenoviral antibodies were detected by ELISA or neutralizing assay in nasal washings of any of the monkeys.

Detailed Description and Best Mode

Gene Therapy

As used herein, the phrase "gene therapy" refers to the transfer of genetic material (e.g., DNA or RNA) of interest into a host to treat or prevent a genetic or acquired disease or condition. The genetic material of interest encodes a product (e.g., a protein polypeptide, peptide or functional RNA) whose production *in vivo* is desired. For example, the genetic material of interest can encode a hormone, receptor, enzyme or (poly) peptide of therapeutic value. Examples of genetic material of interest include DNA encoding: the cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator (CFTR), Factor VIII, low density lipoprotein receptor, beta-galactosidase, alpha-galactosidase, beta-glucocerebrosidase, insulin, parathyroid hormone, and alpha-1-antitrypsin.

Although the potential for gene therapy to treat genetic diseases has been appreciated for many years, it is only recently that such approaches have become practical with the treatment of two patients with adenosine deamidase deficiency. The protocol consists of removing lymphocytes from the patients, stimulating them to grow in tissue culture, infecting them with an appropriately engineered retrovirus followed by reintroduction of the cells into the patient (Kantoff, P. et al. (1987) *J. Exp. Med.* 166:219). Initial results of treatment are very encouraging. With the approval of a number of other human gene therapy protocols for limited clinical use, and with the demonstration of the feasibility of complementing the CF defect by gene transfer, gene therapy for CF appears a very viable option.

The concept of gene replacement therapy for cystic fibrosis is very simple; a preparation of CFTR coding sequences in some suitable vector in a viral or other carrier delivered directly to the airways of CF patients. Since disease of the pulmonary airways is the major cause of morbidity and is responsible for 95% of mortality, airway epithelial cells are preferred target cells for CF gene therapy. The first generation of CF gene therapy is likely to be transient and to require repeated delivery to the airways. Eventually, however, gene therapy may offer a cure for CF when the identity of the precursor or stem cell to air epithelial cells becomes known. If DNA were incorporated into airway stem cells, all subsequent generations of such cells would make authentic CFTR from the integrated sequences and would correct the physiological defect almost irrespective of the biochemical basis of the action of CFTR.

Although simple in concept, scientific and clinical problems face approaches to gene therapy, not least of these being that CF requires an *in vivo* approach while all gene therapy treatments in humans to date have involved *ex vivo* treatment of cells taken from the patient followed by reintroduction.

One major obstacle to be overcome before gene therapy becomes a viable treatment approach for CF is the development of appropriate vectors to infect tissue manifesting the disease and deliver the therapeutic CFTR gene. Since viruses have evolved very efficient means to introduce their nucleic acid into cells, many approaches to gene therapy make use of engineered defective viruses. However, the use of viruses *in vivo* raises safety concerns. Although potentially safer, the use of simple DNA plasmid constructs containing minimal additional DNA, on the other hand, is often very inefficient and can result in transient protein expression.

The integration of introduced DNA into the host chromosome has advantages in that such DNA will be passed to daughter cells. In some circumstances, integrated DNA may also lead to high or more sustained expression. However, integration often, perhaps always, requires cellular DNA replication in order to occur. This is certainly the case with the present generation of retroviruses. This limits the use of such viruses to circumstances where cell division occurs in a high proportion of cells. For cells cultured *in vitro*, this is seldom a problem, however, the cells of the airway are reported to divide only infrequently (Kawanami, O. et al. (1979) *An. Rev. Respir. Dis.* 120:595). The use of retroviruses in CF will probably require damaging the airways (by agents such as SO_2 or 0_3) to induce cell division. This may prove impracticable in CF patients.

Even if efficient DNA integration could be achieved using viruses, the human genome contains elements involved in the regulation of cellular growth only a small fraction of which are presently identified. By integrating adjacent to an element such as a proto-oncogene or an anti-oncogene, activation or inactivation of that element could occur leading to uncontrolled growth of the altered cell. It is considered likely that several such activation/inactivation steps are usually required in any one cell to induce uncontrolled proliferation (R.A.Weinberg (1989) *Cancer Research* 49:3713), which may reduce somewhat the potential risk. On the other hand, insertional mutagenesis leading to tumor formation is certainly known in animals with some nondefective retroviruses (R.A. Weinberg, *supra*; Payne, G.S. et al. (1982) *Nature* 295:209), and the large numbers of potential integrations occurring during the lifetime of a patient treated repeatedly *in vivo* with retroviruses must raise concerns on the safety of such a procedure.

In addition to the potential problems associated with viral DNA integration, a number of additional safety issues arise. Many patients may have preexisting antibodies to some of the viruses that are candidates for vectors, for example, adenoviruses. In addition, repeated use of such vectors might induce an immune response. The use of defective viral vectors

may alleviate this problem somewhat, because the vectors will not lead to productive viral life cycles generating infected cells, cell lysis or large numbers of progeny viruses.

Other issues associated with the use of viruses are the possibility of recombination with related viruses naturally infecting the treated patient, complementation of the viral defects by simultaneous expression of wild type virus proteins and containment of aerosols of the engineered viruses.

Gene therapy approaches to CF will face many of the same clinical challenges at protein therapy. These include the inaccessibility of airway epithelium caused by mucus build-up and the hostile nature of the environment in CF airways which may inactivate viruses/vectors. Elements of the vector carriers may be immunogenic and introduction of the DNA may be inefficient. These problems, as with protein therapy, are exacerbated by the absence of a good animal model for the disease nor a simple clinical end point to measure the efficacy of treatment.

CF Gene Therapy Vectors - Possible Options

Retroviruses - Although defective retroviruses are the best characterized system and so far the only one approved for use in human gene therapy (Miller, A.D. (1990) *Blood* 76:271), the major issue in relation to CF is the requirement for dividing cells to achieve DNA integration and gene expression. Were conditions found to induce airway cell division, the *in vivo* application of retroviruses, especially if repeated over many years, would necessitate assessment of the safety aspects of insertional mutagenesis in this context.

Adeno-Associated Virus - (AAV) is a naturally occurring defective virus that requires other viruses such as adenoviruses or herpes viruses as helper viruses(Muzyczka, N. (1992) in *Current Topics in Microbiology and Immunology* 158:97). It is also one of the few viruses that may integrate its DNA into non-dividing cells, although this is not yet certain. Vectors containing as little as 300 base pairs of AAV can be packaged and can integrate, but space for exogenous DNA is limited to about 4.5 kb. CFTR DNA may be towards the upper limit of packaging. Furthermore, the packaging process itself is presently inefficient and safety issues such as immunogenecity, complementation and containment will also apply to AAV. Nevertheless, this system is sufficiently promising to warrant further study.

Plasmid DNA - Naked plasmid can be introduced into muscle cells by injection into the tissue. Expression can extend over many months but the number of positive cells is low (Wolff, J. et al. (1989) *Science* 247:1465). Cationic lipids aid introduction of DNA into some cells in culture (Felgner, P. and Ringold, G.M. (1989) *Nature* 337:387). Injection of cationic lipid plasmid DNA complexes into the circulation of mice has been shown to result in expression of the DNA in lung (Brigham, K. et al. (1989) *Am. J. Med. Sci.* 298:278).

Instillation of cationic lipid plasmid DNA into lung also leads to expression in epithelial cells but the efficiency of expression is relatively low and transient (Hazinski, T.A. et al. (1991) *Am. J. Respir., Cell Mol. Biol.* 4:206). One advantage of the use of plasmid DNA is that it can be introduced into non-replicating cells. However, the use of plasmid DNA in the CF airway environment, which already contains high concentrations of endogenous DNA may be problematic.

Receptor Mediated Entry - In an effort to improve the efficiency of plasmid DNA uptake, attempts have been made to utilize receptor-mediated endocytosis as an entry mechanisms and to protect DNA in complexes with polylysine (Wu, G. and Wu, C.H. (1988) *J. Biol. Chem.* 263:14621). One potential problem with this approach is that the incoming plasmid DNA enters the pathway leading from endosome to lysosome, where much incoming material is degraded. One solution to this problem is the use of transferrin DNA-polylysine complexes linked to adenovirus capsids (Curiel, D.T. et al. (1991) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:8850). The latter enter efficiently but have the added advantage of naturally disrupting the endosome thereby avoiding shuttling to the lysosome. This approach has promise but at present is relatively transient and suffers from the same potential problems of immunogenicity as other adenovirus based methods.

Adenovirus - Defective adenoviruses at present appear to be a promising approach to CF gene therapy (Berkner, K.L. (1988) *BioTechniques* 6:616). Adenovirus can be manipulated such that it encodes and expresses the desired gene product, (e.g., CFTR), and at the same time is inactivated in terms of its ability to replicate in a normal lytic viral life cycle. In addition, adenovirus has a natural tropism for airway epithelia. The viruses are able to infect quiescent cells as are found in the airways, offering a major advantage over retroviruses. Adenovirus expression is achieved without integration of the viral DNA into the host cell chromosome, thereby alleviating concerns about insertional mutagenesis. Furthermore, adenoviruses have been used as live enteric vaccines for many years with an excellent safety profile (Schwartz, A.R. et al. (1974) *Am. Rev. Respir. Dis.* 109:233-238). Finally, adenovirus mediated gene transfer has been demonstrated in a number of instances including transfer of alpha-1-antitrypsin and CFTR to the lungs of cotton rats (Rosenfeld, M.A. et al. (1991) *Science* 252:431-434; Rosenfeld et al., (1992) *Cell* 68:143-155). Furthermore, extensive studies to attempt to establish adenovirus as a causative agent in human cancer were uniformly negative (Green, M. et al. (1979) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 76:6606).

The following properties would be desirable in the design of an adenovirus vector to transfer the gene for CFTR to the airway cells of a CF patient. The vector should allow sufficient expression of the CFTR, while producing minimal viral gene expression. There should be minimal viral DNA replication and ideally no virus replication. Finally,

recombination to produce new viral sequences and complementation to allow growth of the defective virus in the patient should be minimized. A first generation adenovirus vector encoding CFTR (Ad2/CFTR), made as described in the following Example 7, achieves most of these goals and was used in the human trials described in Example 10.

Figure 14 shows a map of Ad2/CFTR-1. As can be seen from the figure, this first generation virus includes viral DNA derived from the common relatively benign adenovirus 2 serotype. The Ela and Elb regions of the viral genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication have been deleted. Their removal impairs viral gene expression and viral replication. The protein products of these genes also have immortalizing and transforming function in some non-permissive cells.

The CFTR coding sequence is inserted into the viral genome in place of the Ela/Elb region and transcription of the CFTR sequence is driven by the endogenous Ela promoter. This is a moderately strong promoter that is functional in a variety of cells. In contrast to some adenovirus vectors (Rosenfeld, M. et al. (1992) *Cell* 68:143), this adenovirus retains the E3 viral coding region. As a consequence of the inclusion of E3, the length of the adenovirus-CFTR DNA is greater than that of the wild-type adenovirus. The greater length of the recombinant viral DNA renders it more difficult to package. This means that the growth of the Ad2/CFTR virus is impaired even in permissive cells that provide the missing Ela and Elb functions.

The E3 region of the Ad2/CFTR-1 encodes a variety of proteins. One of these proteins, gp19, is believed to interact with and prevent presentation of class I proteins of the major histocompatability complex (MHC) (Gooding, C.R. and Wold, W.S.M. (1990) *Crit. Rev. Immunol.* 10:53). This property prevents recognition of the infected cells and thus may allow viral latency. The presence of E3 sequences, therefore, has two useful attributes; first, the large size of the viral DNA renders it doubly defective for replication (i.e., it lacks early functions and is packaged poorly) and second, the absence of MHC presentation could be useful in later applications of Ad2/CFTR-1 in gene therapy involving multiple administrations because it may avoid an immune response to recombinant virus containing cells.

Not only are there advantages associated with the presence of E3; there may be disadvantages associated with its absence. Studies of E3 deleted virus in animals have suggested that they result in a more severe pathology (Gingsberg, H.S. et al. (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA)* 86:3823). Furthermore, E3 deleted virus, such as might be obtained by recombination of an E1 plus E3 deleted virus with wild-type virus, is reported to outgrow wild-type in tissue culture (Barkner, K.L. and Sharp, P. (1983) *Nucleic Acids Research* 11:6003). By contrast, however, a recent report of an E3 replacement vector encoding hepatitis B surface antigen, suggests that when delivered as a live enteric vaccine, such a virus replicates poorly in human compared to wild-type.

The adenovirus vector (Ad2/CFTR-1) and a related virus encoding the marker β-galactosidase (Ad2/β-gal) have been constructed and grown in human 293 cells. These cells contain the E1 region of adenovirus and constitutively express Ela and Elb, which complement the defective adenoviruses by providing the products of the genes deleted from the vector. Because the size of its genome is greater than that of wild-type virus, Ad2/CFTR is relatively difficult to produce.

The Ad2/CFTR-1 virus has been shown to encode CFTR by demonstrating the presence of the protein in 293 cells. The Ad2/β-gal virus was shown to produce its protein in a variety of cell lines grown in tissue culture including a monkey bronchiolar cell line (4MBR-5), primary hamster tracheal epithelial cells, human HeLa, human CF PAC cells (see Example 8) and airway epithelial cells from CF patients (Rich, O. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:358).

Ad2/CFTR-1 is constructed from adenovirus 2 (Ad2) DNA sequences. Other varieties of adenovirus (e.g., Ad3, Ad5, and Ad7) may also prove useful as gene therapy vectors. This may prove essential if immune response against a single serotype reduces the effectiveness of the therapy.

Second Generation Adenoviral Vectors

Adenoviral vectors currently in use retain most (≥ 80%) of the parental viral genetic material leaving their safety untested and in doubt. Second-generation vector systems containing minimal adenoviral regulatory, packaging and replication sequences have therefore been developed.

Pseudo-Adenovirus Vectors (PAV)-PAVs contain adenovirus inverted terminal repeats and the minimal adenovirus 5' sequences required for helper virus dependent replication and packaging of the vector. These vectors contain no potentially harmful viral genes, have a theoretical capacity for foreign material of nearly 36 kb, may be produced in reasonably high titers and maintain the tropism of the parent virus for dividing and non-dividing human target cell types.

The PAV vector can be maintained as either a plasmid-borne construct or as an infectious viral particle. As a plasmid construct, PAV is composed of the minimal sequences from wild type adenovirus type 2 necessary for efficient replication and packaging of these sequences and any desired additional exogenous genetic material, by either a wild-type or defective helper virus.

Specifically, PAV contains adenovirus 2 (Ad2) sequences as shown in Figure 17, from nucleotide (nt) 0-356 forming the 5' end of the vector and the last 109 nt of Ad2 forming the 3' end of the construct. The sequences includes the Ad2 flanking inverted terminal repeats (5'ITR) and the 5' ITR adjoining sequences containing the known packaging signal and Ela enhancer. Various convenient restriction sites have been incorporated into the

fragments, allowing the insertion of promoter/gene cassettes which can be packaged in the PAV virion and used for gene transfer (e.g. for gene therapy). The construction and propagation of PAV is described in detail in the following Example 11. By not containing most native adenoviral DNA, the PAVs described herein are less likely to produce a patient immune reponse or to replicate in a host.

In addition, the PAV vectors can accomodate foreign DNA up to a maximum length of nearly 36 kb. The PAV vectors therefore, are especially useful for cloning larger genes (e.g., CFTR (7.5 kb)); Factor VIII (8 kb); Factor IX (9 kb)), which, traditional vectors have difficulty accomodating. In addition, PAV vectors can be used to transfer more than one gene, or more than one copy of a particular gene. For example, for gene therapy of cystic fibrosis, PAVs can be used to deliver CFTR in conjunction with other genes such as anti proteases (e.g., antiprotease alpha-1-antitrypsin) tissue inhibitor of metaloproteinase, antioxidants (e.g., superoxide dismutase), enhancers of local host defense (e.g., interferons), mucolytics (e.g., DNase); and proteins which block inflammatory cytokines.

Ad2-E4/ORF6 Adenovirus Vectors

An adenoviral construct expressing only the open reading frame 6 (ORF6) of adenoviral early region 4 (E4) from the E4 promoter and which is deleted for all other known E4 open reading frames was constructed as described in detail in Example 12. Expression of E4 open reading frame 3 is also sufficient to provide E4 functions required for DNA replication and late protein synthesis. However, it provides these functions with reduced efficiency compared to expression of ORF6, which will likely result in lower levels of virus production. Therefore expressing ORF6, rather than ORF3, appears to be a better choice for producing recombinant adenovirus vectors.

The E4 region of adenovirus is suspected to have a role in viral DNA replication, late mRNA synthesis and host protein synthesis shut off, as well as in viral assembly (Falgout, B. and G. Ketner (1987) *J. Virol.* 61:3759-3768). Adenovirus early region 4 is required for efficient virus particle assembly. Adenovirus early region 4 encodes functions required for efficient DNA replication, late gene expression, and host cell shutoff. Halbert, D.N. et al. (1985) *J. Virol.* 56:250-257.

The deletion of non-essential open reading frames of E4 increases the cloning capacity of recombinant adenovirus vectors by approximately 2 kb of insert DNA without significantly reducing the viability of the virus in cell culture. When placed in combination with deletions in the E1 and/or E3 regions of adenovirus vectors, the theoretical insert capacity of the resultant vectors is increased to 8-9 kb. An example of where this increased cloning capacity may prove useful is in the development of a gene therapy vector encoding CFTR. As described above, the first generation adenoviral vector approaches the maximum packaging capacity for viral DNA encapsidation. As a result, this virus grows poorly and may occassionaly give rise to defective progeny. Including an E4 deletion in the adenovirus

vector should alleviate these problems. In addition, it allows flexibility in the choice of promoters to drive CFTR expression from the virus. For example, strong promoters such as the adenovirus major late promoter, the cytomegalovirus immediate early promoter or a cellular promoter such as the CFTR promoter, which may be too large for first-generation adenovirus can be used to drive expression.

In addition, by expressing only ORF6 of E4, these second generation adenoviral vectors may be safer for use in gene therapy. Although ORF6 expression is sufficient for viral DNA replication and late protein synthesis in immortalized cells, it has been suggested that ORF6/7 of E4 may also be required in non-dividing primary cells (Hemstrom, C. et al. (1991) *J. Virol.* 65:1440-1449). The 19 kD protein produced from open reading frame 6 and 7 (ORF6/7) complexes with and activates cellular transcription factor E2F, which is required for maximal activation of early region 2. Early region 2 encodes proteins required for viral DNA replication. Activated transcription factor E2F is present in proliferating cells and is involved in the expression of genes required for cell proliferation (e.g., DHFR, c-myc), whereas activated E2F is present in lower levels in non-proliferating cells. Therefore, the expression of only ORF6 of E4 should allow the virus to replicate normally in tissue culture cells (e.g., 293 cells), but the absence of ORF6/7 would prevent the potential activation of transcription factor E2F in non-dividing primary cellls and thereby reduce the potential for viral DNA replication.

Target Tissue

Because 95% of CF patients die of lung disease, the lung is a preferred target for gene therapy. The hallmark abnormality of the disease is defective electrolyte transport by the epithelial cells that line the airways. Numerous investigators (reviewed in Quinton, F. (1990) *FASEB J.* 4:2709) have observed: a) a complete loss of cAMP-mediated transepithelial chloride secretion, and b) a two to three fold increase in the rate of Na+ absorption. cAMP-stimulated chloride secretion requires a chloride channel in the apical membrane (Welsh, M.J. (1987) *Physiol Rev.* 67:1143-1184). The discovery that CFTR is a phosphorylation-regulated chloride channel and that the properties of the CFTR chloride channel are the same as those of the chloride channels in the apical membrane, indicate that CFTR itself mediates transepithelial chloride secretion. This conclusion was supported by studies localizing CFTR in lung tissue: CFTR is located in the apical membrane of airway epithelial cells (Denning, G.M. et al. (1992) *J. Cell Biol.* 118:551) and has been reported to be present in the submucosal glands (Taussig et al., (1973) *J. Clin. Invest.* 89:339). As a consequence of loss of CFTR function, there is a loss of cAMP-regulated transepithelial chloride secretion. At this time it is uncertain how dysfunction of CFTR produces an increase in the rate of Na+ absorption. However, it is thought that the defective chloride secretion and increased Na+ absorption lead to an alteration of the respiratory tract fluid and hence, to defective mucociliary clearance, a normal pulmonary defense mechanism. As a result, clearance of

inhaled material from the lung is impaired and repeated infections ensue. Although the presumed abnormalities in respiratory tract fluid and mucociliary clearance provide a plausible explanation for the disease, a precise understanding of the pathogenesis is still lacking.

Correction of the genetic defect in the airway epithelial cells is likely to reverse the CF pulmonary phenotype. The identity of the specific cells in the airway epithelium that express CFTR cannot be accurately determined by immunocytochemical means, because of the low abundance of protein. However, functional studies suggest that the ciliated epithelial cells and perhaps nonciliated cells of the surface epithelium are among the main cell types involved in electrolyte transport. Thus, in practical terms, the present preferred target cell for gene therapy would appear to be the mature cells that line the pulmonary airways. These are not rapidly dividing cells; rather, most of them are nonproliferating and many may be terminally differentiated. The identification of the progenitor cells in the airway is uncertain. Although CFTR may also be present in submucosal glands (Trezise, A.E. and Buchwald, M. (1991) *Nature* 353:434; Englehardt, J.F. et al. (1992) *J. Clin. Invest.* 90:2598-2607), there is no data as to its function at that site; furthermore, such glands appear to be relatively inaccessible.

The airway epithelium provides two main advantages for gene therapy. First, access to the airway epithelium can be relatively noninvasive. This is a significant advantage in the development of delivery strategies and it will allow investigators to monitor the therapeutic response. Second, the epithelium forms a barrier between the airway lumen and the interstitium. Thus, application of the vector to the lumen will allow access to the target cell yet, at least to some extent, limit movement through the epithelial barrier to the interstitium and from there to the rest of the body.

Efficiency of Gene Delivery Required to Correct The Genetic Defect

It is unlikely that any gene therapy protocol will correct 100% of the cells that normally express CFTR. However, several observations suggest that correction of a small percent of the involved cells or expression of a fraction of the normal amount of CFTR may be of therapeutic benefit.

a. CF is an autosomal recessive disease and heterozygotes have no lung disease. Thus, 50% of wild-type CFTR would appear sufficient for normal function.

b. This issue was tested in mixing experiments using CF cells and recombinant CF cells expressing wild-type CFTR (Johnson, L.G. et al. (1992) *Nature Gen.* 2:21). The data obtained showed that when an epithelium is reconstituted with as few as 6-10% of corrected cells, chloride secretion is comparable to that observed with an epithelium containing 100% corrected cells. Although CFTR expression in the recombinant cells is

probably higher than in normal cells, this result suggests that *in vivo* correction of all CF airway cells may not be required.

c. Recent observations show that CFTR containing some CF-associated mutations retains residual chloride channel activity (Sheppard, D.N. et al. (1992) *Pediatr. Pulmon Suppl.* 8:250; Strong, T.V. et al. (1991) *N. Eng. J. Med.* 325:1630). These mutations are associated with mild lung disease. Thus, even a very low level of CFTR activity may at least partly ameliorate the electrolyte transport abnormalities.

d. As indicated in experiments described below in Example 8, complementation of CF epithelia, under conditions that probably would not cause expression of CFTR in every cell, restored cAMP stimulated chloride secretion.

e. Levels of CFTR in normal human airway epithelia are very low and are barely detectable. It has not been detected using routine biochemical techniques such as immunoprecipitation or immunoblotting and has been exceedingly difficult to detect with immunocytochemical techniques (Denning, G.M. et al. (1992) *J. Cell Biol.* 118:551). Although CFTR has been detected in some cases using laser-scanning confocal microscopy, the signal is at the limits of detection and cannot be detected above background in every case. Despite that minimal levels of CFTR, this small amount is sufficient to generate substantial cAMP-stimulated chloride secretion. The reason that a very small number of CFTR chloride channels can support a large chloride secretory rate is that a large number of ions can pass through a single channel (10^6-10^7 ions/sec) (Hille, B. (1984) Sinauer Assoc. Inc., Sunderland, MA 420-426).

f. Previous studies using quantitative PCR have reported that the airway epithelial cells contain at most one to two transcripts per cell (Trapnell, B.C. et al. (1991) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:6565).

Gene therapy for CF would appear to have a wide therapeutic index. Just as partial expression may be of therapeutic value, overexpression of wild-type CFTR appears unlikely to cause significant problems. This conclusion is based on both theoretical considerations and experimental results. Because CFTR is a regulated channel, and because it has a specific function in epithelia, it is unlikely that overexpression of CFTR will lead to uncontrolled chloride secretion. First, secretion would require activation of CFTR by cAMP-dependent phosphorylation. Activation of this kinase is a highly regulated process. Second, even if CFTR chloride channels open in the apical membrane, secretion will not ensue without regulation of the basolateral membrane transporters that are required for chloride to enter the cell from the interstitial space. At the basolateral membrane, the sodium-potassium-chloride

cotransporter and potassium channels serve as important regulators of transeptihelial secretion (Welsh, M.J. (1987) *Physiol. Rev.* 67:1143-1184).

Human CFTR has been expressed in transgenic mice under the control of the surfactant protein C(SPC) gene promoter (Whitesett, J.A. et al. (1992) *Nature Gen.* 2:13) and the casein promoter (Ditullio, P. et al (1992) *Bio/Technology* 10:74). In those mice, CFTR was overexpressed in bronchiolar and alveolar epithelial cells and in the mammary glands, respectively. Yet despite the massive overexpression in the transgenic animals, there were no observable morphologic or functional abnormalities. In addition, expression of CFTR in the lungs of cotton rats produced no reported abnormalities (Rosenfeld, M.A. et al. (1992) *Cell* 68:143-155).

The present invention is further illustrated by the following examples which in no way should be construed as being further limiting. The contents of all cited references (including literature references, issued patents, published patent applications, and co-pending patent applications) cited throughout this application are hereby expressly incorporated by reference.

EXAMPLES

Example 1 - Generation of Full Length CFTR cDNAs

Nearly all of the commonly used DNA cloning vectors are based on plasmids containing modified pMB1 replication origins and are present at up to 500 to 700 copies per cell (Sambrook et al. Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual (Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press 1989). The partial CFTR cDNA clones isolated by Riordan et al. were maintained in such a plasmid. It was postulated that an alternative theory to intrinsic clone instability to explain the apparent inability to recover clones encoding full length CFTR protein using high copy number plasmids, was that it was not possible to clone large segments of the CFTR cDNA at high gene dosage in *E. coli*. Expression of the CFTR or portions of the CFTR from regulatory sequences capable of directing transcription and/or translation in the bacterial host cell might result in inviability of the host cell due to toxicity of the transcript or of the full length CFTR protein or fragments thereof. This inadvertent gene expression could occur from either plasmid regulatory sequences or cryptic regulatory sequences within the recombinant CFTR plasmid which are capable of functioning in *E. coli*. Toxic expression of the CFTR coding sequences would be greatly compounded if a large number of copies of the CFTR cDNA were present in cells because a high copy number plasmid was used. If the product was indeed toxic as postulated, the growth of cells containing full length and correct sequence would be actively disfavored. Based upon this novel hypothesis, the following procedures were undertaken. With reference to Figure 2, partial CFTR clone T16-4.5 was cleaved with restriction enzymes Sph 1 and Pst 1 and the resulting 3.9 kb restriction fragment containing exons 11 through most of exon 24 (including

an uncharacterized 119 bp insertion reported by Riordan et al. between nucleotides 1716 and 1717), was isolated by agarose gel purification and ligated between the Sph 1 and Pst 1 sites of the pMB1 based vector pkk223-3 (Brosius and Holy, (1984) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 81:6929). It was hoped that the pMB1 origin contained within this plasmid would allow it and plasmids constructed from it to replicate at 15-20 copies per host *E. coli* cell (Sambrook et al. Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual (Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press 1989). The resultant plasmid clone was called pkk-4.5.

Partial CFTR clone T11 was cleaved with Eco R1 and Hinc II and the 1.9 kb band encoding the first 1786 nucleotides of the CFTR cDNA plus an additional 100 bp of DNA at the 5' end was isolated by agarose gel purification. This restriction fragment was inserted between the Eco R1 site and Sma 1 restriction site of the plamid Bluescript Sk- (Stratagene, catalogue number 212206), such that the CFTR sequences were now flanked on the upstream (5') side by a Sal 1 site from the cloning vector. This clone, designated T11-R, was cleaved with Sal 1 and Sph 1 and the resultant 1.8 kb band isolated by agarose gel purification. Plasmid pkk-4.5 was cleaved with Sal 1 and Sph 1 and the large fragment was isolated by agarose gel purification. The purified T11-R fragment and pkk-4.5 fragments were ligated to construct pkk-CFTR1. pkk-CFTR1 contains exons 1 through 24 of the CFTR cDNA. It was discovered that this plasmid is stably maintained in *E. coli* cells and confers no measureably disadvantageous growth characteristics upon host cells.

pkk-CFTR1 contains, between nucleotides 1716 and 1717, the 119 bp insert DNA derived from partial cDNA clone T16-4.5 described above. In addition, subsequent sequence analysis of pkk-CFTR1 revealed unreported differences in the coding sequence between that portion of CFTR1 derived from partial cDNA clone T11 and the published CFTR cDNA sequence. These undesired differences included a 1 base-pair deletion at position 995 and a C to T transition at position 1507.

To complete construction of an intact correct CFTR coding sequence without mutations or insertions and with reference to the construction scheme shown in Figure 3, pkk-CFTR1 was cleaved with Xba I and Hpa I, and dephosphorylated with calf intestinal alkaline phosphatase. In addition, to reduce the likelihood of recovering the original clone, the small unwanted Xba I/Hpa I restriction fragment from pKK-CFTR1 was digested with Sph I. T16-1 was cleaved with Xba I and Acc I and the 1.15 kb fragment isolated by agarose gel purification. T16-4.5 was cleaved with Acc I and Hpa I and the 0.65 kb band was also isolated by agarose gel purification. The two agarose gel purified restriction fragments and the dephosphorylated pKK-CFTR1 were ligated to produce pKK-CFTR2. Alternatively, pKK-CFTR2 could have been constructed using corresponding restriction fragments from the partial CFTR cDNA clone C1-1/5. pKK-CFTR2 contains the uninterrupted CFTR protein coding sequence and conferred slow growth upon *E. coli* host cells in which it was inserted, whereas pKK-CFTR1 did not. The origin of replication of pKK-CFTR2 is derived from pMB1 and confers a plasmid copy number of 15-20 copies per host cell.

Example 2 - Improving Host Cell Viability

An additional enhancement of host cell viability was accomplished by a further reduction in the copy number of CFTR cDNA per host cell. This was achieved by transferring the CFTR cDNA into the plasmid vector, pSC-3Z. pSC-3Z was constructed using the pSC101 replication origin of the low copy number plasmid pLG338 (Stoker et al., Gene 18, 335 (1982)) and the ampicillin resistance gene and polylinker of pGEM-3Z (available from Promega). pLG338 was cleaved with Sph I and Pvu II and the 2.8 kb fragment containing the replication origin isolated by agarose gel purification. pGEM-3Z was cleaved with Alw NI, the resultant restriction fragment ends treated with T4 DNA polymerase and deoxynucleotide triphosphates, cleaved with Sph I and the 1.9 kb band containing the ampicillin resistance gene and the polylinker was isolated by agarose gel purification. The pLG338 and pGEM-3Z fragments were ligated together to produce the low copy number cloning vector pSC-3Z. pSC-3Z and other plasmids containing pSC101 origins of replication are maintained at approximately five copies per cell (Sambrook et al. *supra*).

With additional reference to Figure 4, pKK-CFTR2 was cleaved with Eco RV, Pst I and Sal I and then passed over a Sephacryl S400 spun column (available from Pharmacia) according to the manufacturer's procedure in order to remove the Sal I to Eco RV restriction fragment which was retained within the column. pSC-3Z was digested with Sma I and Pst I and also passed over a Sephacryl S400 spun column to remove the small Sma I/Pst I restriction fragment which was retained within the column. The column eluted fractions from the pKK-CFTR2 digest and the pSC-3Z digest were mixed and ligated to produce pSC-CFTR2. A map of this plasmid is presented in Figure 5. Host cells containing CFTR cDNAs at this and similar gene dosages grow well and have stably maintained the recombinant plasmid with the full length CFTR coding sequence. In addition, this plasmid contains a bacteriophage T7 RNA polymerase promoter adjacent to the CFTR coding sequence and is therefore convenient for *in vitro* transcription/translation of the CFTR protein. The nucleotide sequence of CFTR coding region from pSC-CFTR2 plasmid is presented in Sequence Listing 1 as SEQ ID NO:1. Significantly, this sequence differs from the previously published (Riordan, J.R. et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1066-1073) CFTR sequence at position 1990, where there is C in place of the reported A. *See* Gregory, R.J. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:382-386. *E. coli* host cells containing pSC-CFTR2, internally identified with the number pSC-CFTR2/AG1, have been deposited at the American Type Culture Collection and given the accession number: ATCC 68244.

Example 3 - Alternate Method for Improving Host Cell Viability

A second method for enhancing host cell viability comprises disruption of the CFTR protein coding sequence. For this purpose, a synthetic intron was designed for insertion between nucleotides 1716 and 1717 of the CFTR cDNA. This intron is especially

advantageous because of its easily manageable size. Furthermore, it is designed to be efficiently spliced from CFTR primary RNA transcripts when expressed in eukaryotic cells. Four synthetic oligonucleotides were synthesized (1195RG, 1196RG, 1197RG and 1198RG) collectively extending from the Sph I cleavage site at position 1700 to the Hinc II cleavage site at position 1785 and including the additional 83 nucleotides between 1716 and 1717 (see Figure 6). These oligonucleotides were phosphorylated with T4 polynucleotide kinase as described by Sambrook et al., mixed together, heated to 95°C for 5 minutes in the same buffer used during phosphorylation, and allowed to cool to room temperature over several hours to allow annealing of the single stranded oligonucleotides. To insert the synthetic intron into the CFTR coding sequence and with reference to Figures 7A and 7B, a subclone of plasmid T11 was made by cleaving the Sal I site in the polylinker, repairing the recessed ends of the cleaved DNA with deoxynucleotide triphosphates and the large fragment of DNA Polymerase I and religating the DNA. This plasmid was then digested with Eco RV and Nru I and religated. The resulting plasmid T16-Δ5' extended from the Nru I site at position 490 of the CFTR cDNA to the 3' end of clone T16 and contained single sites for Sph I and Hinc II at positions corresponding to nucleotides 1700 and 1785 of the CFTR cDNA. T16-Δ5' plasmid was cleaved with Sph I and Hinc II and the large fragment was isolated by agarose gel purification. The annealed synthetic oligonucleotides were ligated into this vector fragment to generate T16-intron.

T16-intron was then digested with Eco RI and Sma I and the large fragment was isolated by agarose gel purification. T16-4.5 was digested with Eco RI and Sca I and the 790 bp fragment was also isolated by agarose gel purification. The purified T16-intron and T16-4.5 fragments were ligated to produce T16-intron-2. T16-intron-2 contains CFTR cDNA sequences extending from the Nru I site at position 490 to the Sca I site at position 2818, and includes the unique Hpa I site at position 2463 which is not present in T16-1 or T16-intron-1.

T-16-intron-2 was then cleaved with Xba I and Hpa I and the 1800 bp fragment was isolated by agarose gel purification. pKK-CFTR1 was digested with Xba I and Hpa I and the large fragment was also isolated by agarose gel purification and ligated with the fragment derived from T16-intron-2 to yield pKK-CFTR3, shown in Figure 8. The CFTR cDNA within pKK-CFTR3 is identical to that within pSC-CFTR2 and pKK-CFTR2 except for the insertion of the 83 bp intron between nucleotides 1716 and 1717. The insertion of this intron resulted in improved growth characteristics for cells harboring pKK-CFTR3 relative to cells containing the unmodified CFTR cDNA in pKK-CFTR2.

Example 4 - In vitro Transcription/Translation

In addition to sequence analysis, the integrity of the CFTR cDNA open reading frame was verified by *in vitro* transcription/translation. This method also provided the initial CFTR protein for identification purposes. 5 micrograms of pSC-CFTR2 plasmid DNA were linearized with Sal I and used to direct the synthesis of CFTR RNA transcripts with T7 RNA

polymerase as described by the supplier (Stratagene). This transcript was extracted with phenol and chloroform and precipitated with ethanol. The transcript was resuspended in 25 microliters of water and varying amounts were added to a reticulocyte lysate *in vitro* translation system (Promega). The reactions were performed as described by the supplier in the presence of canine pancreatic microsomal membranes (Promega), using ^{35}S-methionine to label newly synthesized proteins. *In vitro* translation products were analysed by discontinuous polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis in the presence of 0.1% SDS with 8% separating gels (Laemmii, U.K. (1970) *Nature* 227:680-685). Before electrophoresis, the *in vitro* translation reactions were denatured with 3% SDS, 8 M urea and 5% 2-mercaptoethanol in 0.65 M Tris-HCl, pH 6.8. Following electrophoresis, the gels were fixed in methanol:acetic acid:water (30:10:60), rinsed with water and impregnated with 1 M sodium salicylate. ^{35}S labelled proteins were detected by fluorgraphy. A band of approximately 180 kD was detected, consistent with translation of the full length CFTR insert.

Example 5 - Elimination of Cryptic Regulatory Signals

Analysis of the DNA sequence of the CFTR has revealed the presence of a potential *E. coli* RNA polymerase promoter between nucleotides 748 and 778 which conforms well to the derived consensus sequence for *E. coli* promoters (Reznikoff and McClure, Maximizing Gene Expression, 1, Butterworth Publishers, Stoneham, MA). If this sequence functions as a promoter functions in *E. coli,* it could direct synthesis of potentially toxic partial CFTR polypeptides. Thus, an additional advantageous procedure for maintaining plasmids containing CFTR cDNAs in *E.coli* would be to alter the sequence of this potential promoter such that it will not function in *E. coli*. This may be accomplished without altering the amino acid sequence encoded by the CFTR cDNA. Specifically, plasmids containing complete or partial CFTR cDNA's would be altered by site-directed mutagenesis using synthetic oligonucleotides (Zoller and Smith, (1983) *Methods Enzymol.* 100:468). More specifically, altering the nucleotide sequence at position 908 from a T to C and at position 774 from an A to a G effectively eliminates the activity of this promoter sequence without altering the amino acid coding potential of the CFTR open reading frame. Other potential regulatory signals within the CFTR cDNA for transcription and translation could also be advantageously altered and/or deleted by the same method.

Futher analysis has identified a sequence extending from nucleotide 908 to 936 which functions efficiently as a transcriptional promoter element in *E. coli* (Gregory, R.J. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:382-386). Mutation at position 936 is capable of inactivating this promoter and allowing the CFTR cDNA to be stably maintained as a plasmid in *E. coli* (Cheng, S.H. et al. (1990) *Cell* 63:827-834). Specifically position 936 has been altered from a C to a T residue without the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA being altered. Other mutations within this regulatory element described in Gregory, R.J. et al. (1990)

Nature 347:382-386 could also be used to inactivate the transcriptional promoter activity. Specifically, the sequence from 908 to 913 (TTGTGA) and from 931 to 936 (GAAAAT) could be altered by site directed mutagenesis without altering the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA.

Example 6 - Cloning of CFTR in Alternate Host Systems

Although the CFTR cDNA displays apparent toxicity in *E. coli* cells, other types of host cells may not be affected in this way. Alternative host systems in which the entire CFTR cDNA protein encoding region may be maintained and/or expressed include other bacterial species and yeast. It is not possible *a priori* to predict which cells might be resistant and which might not. Screening a number of different host/vector combinations is necessary to find a suitable host tolerant of expression of the full length protein or potentially toxic fragments thereof.

Example 7 - Generation of Adenovirus Vector Encoding CFTR (Ad2/CFTR)

1. DNA preparation - Construction of the recombinant Ad2/CFTR-1 virus (the sequence of which is shown in Table II and as SEQ ID NO:3) was accomplished as follows: The CFTR cDNA was excised from the plasmid pCMV-CFTR-936C using restriction enzymes SpeI and EcII361. pCMV-CFTR-936C consists of a minimal CFTR cDNA encompassing nucleotides 123-4622 of the published CFTR sequence cloned into the multiple cloning site of pRC/CMV (Invitrogen Corp.) using synthetic linkers. The CFTR cDNA within this plasmid has been completely sequenced. The SpeI/EcII361 restriction fragment contains 47 bp of 5' sequence derived from synthetic linkers and the multiple cloning site of the vector.

The CFTR cDNA (the sequence of which is shown as SEQ ID NO:1 and the amino acid sequence encoded by the CFTR cDNA is shown as SEQ ID NO:2) was inserted between the NheI and SnaBI restriction sites of the adenovirus gene transfer vector pBR-Ad2-7. pBR-Ad2-7 is a pBR322 based plasmid containing an approximately 7 kb insert derived from the 5' 10680 bp of Ad2 inserted between the ClaI and BamHI sites of pBR322. From this Ad2 fragment, the sequences corresponding to Ad2 nucleotides 546-3497 were deleted and replaced with a 12 bp multiple cloning site containing an NheI site, an MluI site, and a SnaBI site. The construct also contains the 5' inverted terminal repeat and viral packaging signals, the Ela enhancer and promoter, the Elb 3' intron and the 3' untranslated region and polyadenylation sites. The resulting plasmid was called pBR-Ad2-7/CFTR. Its use to assemble virus is described below.

2. Virus Preparation from DNA - To generate the recombinant Ad2/CFTR-1 adenovirus, the vector pBR-Ad2-7/CFTR was cleaved with BstB1 at the site corresponding to the unique BstB1 site at 10670 in Ad2. The cleaved plamid DNA was ligated to BstB1 restricted Ad2

DNA. Following ligation, the reaction was used to transfect 293 cells by the calcium phosphate procedure. Approximately 7-8 days following transfection, a single plaque appeared and was used to reinfect a dish of 293 cells. Following development of cytopathic effect (CPE), the medium was removed and saved. Total DNA was prepared from the infected cells and analyzed by restriction analysis with multiple enzymes to verify the integrity of the construct. Viral supernatant was then used to infect 293 cells and upon delvelopment of CPE, expression of CFTR was assayed by the protein kinase A (PKA) immunoprecipitation assay (Gregory, R.J. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:382). Following these verification procedures, the virus was further purified by two rounds of plaque purification.

Plaque purified virus was grown into a small seed stock by inoculation at low multiplicities of infection onto 293 cells grown in monolayers in 925 medium supplemented with 10% bovine calf serum. Material at this stage was designated a Research Viral Seed Stock (RVSS) and was used in all preliminary experiments.

3. Virus Host Cell - Ad2/CFTR-1 is propagated in human 293 cells (ATCC CRL 1573). These cells are a human embryonal kidney cell line which were immortalized with sheared fragments of human Ad5 DNA. The 293 cell line expresses adenovirus early region 1 gene products and in consequence, will support the growth of E1 deficient adenoviruses. By analogy with retroviruses, 293 cells could be considered a packaging cell line, but they differ from usual retrovirus lines in that they do not provide missing viral structural proteins, rather, they provide only some missing viral early functions.

Production lots of virus are propagated in 293 cells derived from the Working Cell Bank (WCB). The WCB is in turn derived from the Master Cell Bank (MCB) which was grown up from a fresh vial of cells obtained from ATCC. Because 293 cells are of human origin, they are being tested extensively for the presence of biological agents. The MCB and WCB are being characterized for identity and the absence of adventitious agents by Microbiological Associates, Rockville, MD.

4. Growth of Production Lots of Virus

Production lots of Ad2/CFTR-1 are produced by inoculation of approximately 5-10 x 10^7 pfu of MVSS onto approximately 1-2 x 10^7 Wcb 293 cells grown in a T175 flask containing 25 mls of 925 medium. Inoculation is achieved by direct addition of the virus (approximately 2-5 mls) to each flask. Batches of 50-60 flasks constitute a lot.

Following 40-48 hours incubation at 37°C, the cells are shaken loose from the flask and transferred with medium to a 250 ml centrifuge bottle and spun at 1000 xg. The cell pellet is resuspended in 4 ml phosphate buffered saline containing 0.1 g/l $CaCl_2$ and 0.1g/l $MgCl_2$ and the cells subjected to cycles of freeze-thaw to release virus. Cellular debris is removed by centrifugation at 1000 xg for 15 min. The supernatant from this centrifugation is layered on top of the CsCl step gradient: 2 ml 1.4g/ml CsCl and 3 ml 1.25g/ml CsCl in 10

mM Tris, 1 mM EDTA (TE) and spun for 1 hour at 35,000 rpm in a Beckman SW41 rotor. Virus is then removed from the interface between the two CsCl layers, mixed with 1.35 g/ml CsCl in TE and then subjected to a 2.5 hour equilibrium centrifugation at 75,000 rpm in a TLN-100 rotor. Virus is removed by puncturing the side of the tube with a hypodermic needle and gently removing the banded virus. To reduce the CsCl concentration, the sample is dialyzed against 2 changes of 2 liters of phosphate buffered saline with 10% sucrose.

Following this procedure, dialyzed virus is stable at 4°C for several weeks or can be stored for longer periods at -80°C. Aliquots of material for human use will be tested and while awaiting the results of these tests, the remainder will be stored frozen. The tests to be performed are described below:

5. Structure and Purity of Virus

SDS polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis of purified virions reveals a number of polypeptides, many of which have been characterized. When preparations of virus were subjected to one or two additional rounds of CsCl centrifugation, the protein profile obtained was indistinguishable. This indicates that additional equilibrium centrifugation does not purify the virus further, and may suggest that even the less intense bands detected in the virus preparations represent minor virion components rather than contaminating proteins. The identity of the protein bands is presently being established by N-terminal sequence analysis.

6. Contaminating Materials - The material to be administered to patients will be 2×10^6 pfu, 2×10^7 pfu and 5×10^7 pfu of purified Ad2/CFTR-1. Assuming a minimum particle to pfu ratio of 500, this corresponds to 1×10^9, 1×10^{10} and 2.5×10^{10} viral particles, these correspond to a dose by mass of 0.25 μg, 2.5μg and 6.25 μg assuming a moleuclar mass for adenovirus of 150×10^6.

The origin of the materials from which a production lot of the purified Ad2/CFTR-1 is derived was described in detail above and is illustrated as a flow diagram in Figure 6. All the starting materials from which the purified virus is made (i.e., MCB, and WCB, and the MVSS) will be extensively tested. Further, the growth medium used will be tested and the serum will be from only approved suppliers who will provide test certificates. In this way, all the components used to generate a production lot will have been characterized. Following growth, the production lot virus will be purified by two rounds of CsCl centrifugation, dialyzed, and tested. A production lot should constitute $1\text{-}5 \times 10^{10}$ pfu Ad2/CFTR-1.

As described above, to detect any contaminating material aliquots of the production lot will be analyzed by SDS gel electrophoresis and restriction enzyme mapping. However, these tests have limited sensitivity. Indeed, unlike the situation for purified single chain recombinant proteins, it is very difficult to quantitate the purity of the AD2/CFTR-1 using SDS polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (or similar methods). An alternative is the immunological detection of contaminating proteins (IDCP). Such an assay utilizes antibodies

raised against the proteins purified in a mock purification run. Development of such an assay has not yet been attempted for the CsCl purification scheme for Ad2/CFTR-1. However, initially an IDCP assay developed for the detection of contaminants in recombinant proteins produced in Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells will be used. In addition, to hamster proteins, these assays detect bovine serum albumin (BSA), transferrin and IgG heavy and light chain derived from the serum added to the growth medium. Tests using such reagents to examine research batches of Ad2/CFTR-1 by both ELISA and Western blots are in progress.

Other proteins contaminating the virus preparation are likely to be from the 293 cells - that is, of human origin. Human proteins contaminating therapeutic agents derived from human sources are usually not problematic. In this case, however, we plan to test the production lot for transforming factors. Such factors could be activities of contaminating human proteins or of the Ad2/CFTR-1 vector or other contaminating agents. For the test, it is proposed that 10 dishes of Rat 1 cells containing 2×10^6 cells (the number of target cells in the patient) with 4 times the highest human dose of Ad2/CFTR-1 (2×10^8 pfu) will be infected. Following infection, the cells will be plated out in agar and examined for the appearance of transformed foci for 2 weeks. Wild type adenovirus will be used as a control.

Nucleic acids and proteins would be expected to be separated from purified virus preparations upon equilibrium density centrifugation. Furthermore, the 293 cells are not expected to contain VL30 sequences. Biologically active nucleic cells should be detected.

Example 8 - Preliminary Experiments Testing the Ability of Ad2/βGal or Ad2/CFTR Virus to Enter Airway Epithelial Cells

a. Hamster Studies

Initial studies involving the intratracheal instillation of the Ad-βGal viral vector into Syrian hamsters, which are reported to be permissive for human adenovirus are being performed. The first study, a time course assessment of the pulmonary and systemic acute inflammatory response to a single intratracheal administration of Ad-βGal viral vector, has been completed. In this study, a total of 24 animals distributed among three treatment groups, specifically, 8 vehicle control, 8 low dose virus (1×10^{11} particles; 3×10^8 pfu), and 8 high dose virus (1.7×10^{12} particles; 5×10^9 pfu), were used. Within each treatment group, 2 animals were analyzed at each of four time points after viral vector instillation: 6 hrs, 24 hrs, 48 hrs, and 7 days. At the time of sacrifice of each animal, lung lavage and blood samples were taken for analysis. The lungs were fixed and processed for normal light-level histology. Blood and lavage fluid were evaluated for total leukocyte count and leukocyte differential. As an additional measure of the inflammatory process, lavage fluid was also evaluated for total protein. Following embeddings, sectioning and hematoxylin/eosin staining, lung sections were evaluated for signs of inflammation and airway epithelial damage.

With the small sample size, the data from this preliminary study were not amenable to statistical analyses, however, some general trends could be ascertained. In the peripheral blood samples, total leukocyte counts showed no apparent dose- or time- dependent changes. In the blood leukocyte differential counts, there may have been a minor dose-related elevation in percent neutrophil at 6 hours; however, data from all other time points showed no elevation in neutrophil percentages. Taken together, these data suggest little or nor systemic inflammatory response to the viral administration.

From the lung lavage, some elevation in total neutrophil counts were observed at the first three time points (6 hr, 24 hr, 48 hr). By seven days, both total and percent neutrophil values had returned to normal range. The trends in lung lavage protein levels were more difficult to assess due to inter-animal variability; however, no obvious dose- or time-dependent effects were apparent. First, no damage to airway epithelium was observed at any time point or virus dose level. Second, a time- and dose- dependent mild inflammatory response was observed, being maximal at 48 hr in the high virus dose animals. By seven days, the inflammatory response had completely resolved, such that the lungs from animals in all treatment groups were indistinguishable.

In summary, a mild, transient, pulmonary inflammatory response appears to be associated with the intratracheal administration of the described doses of adenoviral vector in the Syrian Hamster.

A second, single intratracheal dose, hamster study has been initiated. This study is designed to assess the possibility of the spread of ineffective viral vectors to organs outside of the lung and the antibody response of the animals to the adenoviral vector. In this study, the three treatment groups (vehicle control, low dose virus, high dose virus) each contained 12 animals. Animals will be evaluated at three time points: 1 day, 7 days, and 1 month. In this study, viral vector persistence and possible spread will be evaluated by the assessment of the presence of infective virions in numerous organs including lung, gut, heart, liver, spleen, kidney, brain and gonads. Changes in adenoviral antibody titer will be measured in peripheral blood and lung lavage. Additionally, lung lavage, peripheral blood and lung histology will be evaluated as in the previous study.

b. Primate studies.

Studies of recombinant adenovirus are also underway in primates. The goal of these studies is to assess the ability of recombinant adenoviral vectors to deliver genes to the respiratory epithelium *in vivo* and to assess the safety of the construct in primates. Initial studies in primates targeted nasal epithelia as the site of infection because of its similarity to lower airway epithelia, because of its accessibility, and because nasal epithelia was used for the first human studies. The Rhesus monkey (*Macaca mulatta*) has been chosen for studies, because it has a nasal epithelium similar to that of humans.

How expression of CFTR affects the electrolyte transport properties of the nasal epithelium can be studied in patients with cystic fibrosis. But because the primates have normal CFTR function, instead the ability to transfer a reporter gene was assessed. Therefore the Ad-βGal virus was used. The epithelial cell density in the nasal cavity of the Rhesus monkey is estimated to be 2×10^6 cells/cm (based on an average nasal epithelial cell diameter of 7 μm) and the surface near 25-50 cm^2. Thus, there are about 5×10^7 cells in the nasal epithelium of Rhesus monkey. To focus especially on safety, the higher viral doses (20-200 MOI) were used *in vivo*. Thus doses in the range of 10^9-10^{10} pfu were used.

In the first pilot study the right nostril of Monkey A was infected with Ad-β-Gal (~1 ml). This viral preparation was purified by CsCl gradient centrifugation and then by gel filtration chromatography one week later. Adenoviruses are typically stable in CsCl at 4°C for one to two weeks. However, this viral preparation was found to be defective (i.e., it did not produce detectable β-galactosidase activity in the permissive 293 cells). Thus, it was concluded that there was no live viral activity in the material. β-galactosidase activity in nasal epithelial cells from Monkey A was also not detected. Therefore, in the next study, two different preparations of Ad-β-Gal virus: one that was purified on a CsCl gradient and then dialyzed against Tris-buffered saline to remove the CsCl, and a crude unpurified one was used. Titers of Ad-β-Gal viruses were ~2×10^{10} pfu/ml and > 1×10^{13} pfu/ml, respectively, and both preparations produced detectable β-galactosidase activity in 293 cells.

Monkeys were anesthetized by intramuscular injection of ketamine (15 mg/kg). One week before administration of virus, the nasal mucosa of each monkey was brushed to establish baseline cell differentials and levels of β-galactosidase. Blood was drawn for baseline determination of cell differentials, blood chemistries, adenovirus antibody titers, and viral cultures. Each monkey was also examined for weight, temperature, appetite, and general health prior to infection.

The entire epithelium of one nasal cavity was used in each monkey. A foley catheter (size 10) was inserted through each nasal cavity into the pharynx, inflated with 2-3 ml of air, and then pulled anteriorly to obtain tight posterior occlusion at the posterior choana. Both nasal cavities were then irrigated with a solution (~5 ml) of 5 mM dithiothreitol plus 0.2 U/ml neuraminidase in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) for five minutes. This solution was used to dissolve any residual mucus overlaying the epithelia. (It was subsequently found that such treatment is not required.) The washing procedure also allowed the determination of whether the balloons were effectively isolating the nasal cavity. The virus (Ad-β-Gal) was then slowly instilled into the right nostril with the posterior balloon inflated. The viral solution remained in contact with the nasal mucosa for 30 minutes. At the end of 30 minutes, the remaining viral solution was removed by suction. The balloons were deflated, the catheters removed, and the monkey allowed to recover from anesthesia. Monkey A received the CsCl-purified virus (~1.5 ml) and Monkey B received the crude virus (~6 ml). (note that this was the second exposure of Monkey A to the recombinant adenovirus).

Both monkeys were followed daily for appearance of the nasal mucosa, conjunctivitis, appetite, activity, and stool consistency. Each monkey was subsequently anesthetized on days 1, 4, 7, 14, and 21 to obtain nasal, pharyngeal, and tracheal cell samples (either by swabs or brushes) as described below. Phlebotomy was performed over the same time course for hematology, ESR, general screen, antibody serology and viral cultures. Stools were collected every week to assess viral cultures.

To obtain nasal epithelial cells from an anesthetized monkey, the nasal mucosa was first impregnated with 5 drops of Afrin (0.05% oxymetazoline hydrochloride, Schering-Plough) and 1 ml of 2% Lidocaine for 5 min. A cytobrush (the kind typically used for Pap smears) was then used to gently rub the mucosa for about 10 seconds. For tracheal brushings, a flexible fiberoptic bronchoscope; a 3 mm cytology brush (Bard) was advanced through the bronchoscope into the trachea, and a small area was brushed for about 10 seconds. This procedure was repeated twice to obtain a total of ~10^6 cells/ml. Cells were then collected on slides (approximately 2 x 10^4 cells/slide using a Cytospin 3 (Shandon, PA)) for subsequent staining (see below).

To determine viral efficacy, nasal, pharyngeal, and tracheal cells were stained for β-galactosidase using X-gal (5 bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl-β-D-galactoside). Cleavage of X-gal by β-galactosidase produces a blue color that can be seen with light microscopy. The Ad-β-gal vector included a nuclear-localization signal (NLS) (from SV40 large T-antigen) at the amino-terminus of the β-galactosidase sequence to direct expression of this protein to the nucleus. Thus, the number of blue nuclei after staining was determined.

RT-PCR (reverse transcriptase-polymerase chain reaction) was also used to determine viral efficacy. This assay indicates the presence of β-galactosidase mRNA in cells obtained by brushings or swabs. PCR primers were used in both the adenovirus sequence and the LacZ sequence to distinguish virally-produced mRNA from endogenous mRNA. PCR was also used to detect the presence of the recombinant adenovirus DNA. Cytospin preparations was used to assess for the presence of virally produced β-galactosidase mRNA in the respiratory epithelial cells using *in-situ* hybridization. This technique has the advantage of being highly specific and will allow assessment which cells are producing the mRNA.

Whether there was any inflammatory response was assessed by visual inspection of the nasal epithelium and by cytological examination of Wright-stained cells (cytospin). The percentage of neutrophils and lymphocytes were compared to that of the control nostril and to the normal values from four control monkeys. Systemic repsonses by white blood cell counts, sedimentation rate, and fever were also assessed.

Viral replication at each of the time points was assessed by testing for the presence of live virus in the supernatant of the cell suspension from swabs or brushes. Each supernatant was used to infect (at several dilutions) the virus-sensitive 293 cell line. Cytopathic changes in the 293 cells were monitored for 1 week and then the cells were fixed and stained for β-galactosidase. Cytopathic effects and blue-stained cells indicated the presence of live virus.

Positive supernatants will also be subjected to analysis of nonintegrating DNA to identify (confirm) the contributing virus(es).

Antibody titers to type 2 adenovirus and to the recombinant adenovirus were determined by ELISA. Blood/serum analysis was performed using an automated chemistry analyzer Hitachi 737 and an automated hematology analyzer Technicom H6. The blood buffy coat was cultured in A549 cells for wild type adenovirus and was cultured in the permissive 293 cells.

Results: Both monkeys tolerated the procedure well. Daily examination revealed no evidence of coryza, conjunctivitis or diarrhea. For both monkeys, the nasal mucosa was mildly erythematous in both the infection side and the control side; this was interpreted as being due to the instrumentation. Appetites and weights were not affected by virus administrated in either monkey. Physical examination on days 1, 4,7, 14 and 21 revealed no evidence of lymphadenopathy, tachypnea, or tachycardia. On day 21, monkey B had a temperature 39.1°C (normal for Rhesus monkey 38.8°C) but had no other abnormalities on physical exam or in laboratory data. Monkey A had a slight leukocytosis on day 1 post infection which returned to normal by day 4; the WBC was 4,920 on the day of infection, 8,070 on day 1, and 5,200 on day 4. The ESR did not change after the infection. Electrolytes and transaminases were normal throughout.

Wright stains of cells from nasal brushing were performed on days 4, 7, 14, and 21. They revealed less than 5% neutrophils and lymphocytes. There was no difference between the infected and the control side.

X-Gal stains of the pharyngeal swabs revealed blue-stained cells in both monkeys on days 4, 7, and 14; only a few of the cells had clear nuclear localization of the pigment and some pigment was seen in extracellular debris. On day 7 post infection, X-Gal stains from the right nostril of monkey A, revealed a total of 135 ciliated cells with nuclear-localized blue stain. The control side had only 4 blue cells Monkey B had 2 blue cells from the infected nostril and none from the control side. Blue cells were not seen on day 7, 14, or 21.

RT-PCR on day 3 post infection revealed a band of the correct size that hybridized with a β-Gal probe, consistent with β-Gal mRNA in the samples from Monkey A control nostril and Monkey B infected nostril. On day 7 there was a positive band in the sample from the infected nostril of Monkey A, the same specimen that revealed blue cells.

Fluid from each nostril, the pharynx, and trachea of both monkeys was placed on 293 cells to check for the presence of live virus by cytopathic effect and X-Gal stain. In Monkey A, live virus was detected in both nostrils on day 3 after infection; no live virus was detected at either one or two weeks post-infection. In Monkey B, live virus was detected in both nostrils, pharynx, and trachea on day 3, and only in the infected nostril on day 7 after infection. No live virus was detected 2 weeks after the infection.

c. Human Explant Studies

In a second type of experiment, epithelial cells from a nasal polyp of a CF patient were cultured on permeable filter supports. These cells form an electrically tight epithelial monolayer after several days in culture. Eight days after seeding, the cells were exposed to the Ad2/CFTR virus for 6 hours. Three days later, the short-circuit current (Isc) across the monolayer was measured. cAMP agonists did not increase the Isc, indicating that there was no change in chloride secretion. However, this defect was corrected after infection with recombinant Ad2/CFTR. Cells infected with Ad2/CFTR (MOI=5; MOI refers to multiplicity of infection; 1 MOI indicates one pfu/cell) express functional CFTR; cAMP agonists stimulated Isc, indicating stimulation of Cl^- secretion. Ad2/CFTR also corrected the CF chloride channel defect in CF tracheal epithelial cells. Additional studies indicated that Ad2/CFTR was able to correct the chloride secretory defect without altering the transepithelial electrical resistance; this result indicates that the integrity of the epithelial cells and the tight junctions was not disrupted by infection with Ad2/GFTR. Application of 1 MOI of Ad2/CFTR was also found to be sufficient to correct the CF chloride secretory defect.

The experiments using primary cultures of human airway epithelial cells indicate that the Ad2/CFTR virus is able to enter CF airway epithelial cells and express sufficient CFTR to correct the defect in chloride transport.

Example 9 -In Vivo Delivery to and Expression of CFTR in Cotton Rat and Rhesus Monkey Epithelium

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Adenovirus vector

Ad2/CFTR-1 was prepared as described in Example 7. The DNA construct comprises a full length copy of the Ad2 genome of approximately 37.5 kb from which the early region 1 genes (nucleotides 546 to 3497) have been replaced by cDNA for CFTR (nucleotides 123 to 4622 of the published CFTR sequence with 53 additional linker nucleotides). The viral Ela promoter was used for CFTR cDNA. Termination/polyadenylation occurs at the site normally used by the Elb and protein IX transcripts. The recombinant virus E3 region was conserved. The size of the Ad2-CFTR-1 vector is approximately 104.5% that of wild-type adenovirus. The recombinant virus was grown in 293 cells that complement the E1 early viral promoters. The cells were frozen and thawed three times to release the virus and the preparation was purified on a CsC1 gradient, then dialyzed against Tris-buffered saline (TBS) to remove the CsCl, as described.

Animals

Rats. Twenty two cotton rats (6-8 weeks old, weighing between 80-100 g) were used for this study. Rats were anesthetized by inhaled methoxyflurane (Pitman Moore, Inc., Mundelen, Ill). Virus was applied to the lungs by nasal instillation during inspiration.

Two cotton rat studies were performed. In the first study, seven rats were assigned to a one time pulmonary infection with 100 µl solution containing 4.1×10^9 plaque forming units (pfu) of the Ad2/CFTR-1 virus and 3 rats served as controls. One control rat and either two or three experimental rats were sacrificed with methoxyflurane and studies at each of three time points: 4, 11, or 15 days after infection.

The second group of rats was used to test the effect of repeat administration of the recombinant virus. All 12 rats received 2.1×10^8 pfu of the Ad2/CFTR-1 virus on day 0 and 9 of the rats received a second dose of 3.2×10^8 pfu of Ad2/CFTR-1 14 days later. Groups of one control rat and three experimental rats were sacrificed at 3, 7, or 14 days after the second administration of virus. Before necropsy, the trachea was cannulated and brochoaveolar lavage (BAL) was performed with 3 ml aliquots of phosphate-buffered saline. A median sternotomy was performed and the right ventricle cannulated for blood collection. The right lung and trachea were fixed in 4% formaldehyde and the left lung was frozen in liquid nitrogen and kept at -70°C for evaluation by immunochemistry, reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR), and viral culture. Other organs were removed and quickly frozen in liquid nitrogen for evaluation by polymerase chain reaction (PCR).

Monkeys. Three female Rhesus monkeys were used for this study; a fourth female monkey was kept in the same room, and was used as control. For application of the virus, the monkeys were anesthetized by intramuscular injection of ketamine (15 mg/kg). The entire epithelium of one nasal cavity in each monkey was used for virus application. A foley catheter (size 10) was inserted through each nasal cavity into the pharynx, the balloon was inflated with 2-3 ml of air, and then pulled anteriorly to obtain a tight occlusion at the posterior choana. The Ad2/CFTR-1 virus was then instilled slowly in the right nostril with the posterior balloon inflated. The viral solution remained in contact with the nasal mucosa for 30 min. The balloons were deflated, the catheters were removed, and the monkeys were allowed to recover from anesthesia. A similar procedure was performed on the left nostril, except that TBS solution was instilled as a control. The monkeys received a total of three doses of the virus over a period of 5 months. The total dose given was 2.5×10^9 pfu the first time, 2.3×10^9 pfu the second time, and 2.8×10^9 pfu the third time. It was estimated that the cell density of the nasal epithelia to be 2×10^6 cells/cm^2 and a surface area of 25 to 50 cm^2. This corresponds to a multiplicity of infection (MOI) of approximately 25.

The animals were evaluated 1 week before the first administration of virus, on the day of administration, and on days 1, 3, 6, 13, 21, 27, and 42 days after infection. The second administration of virus occurred on day 55. The monkeys were evaluated on day 55 and then on days 56, 59, 62, 69, 76, 83, 89, 96, 103, and 111. For the third administration, on day 134,

only the left nostril was cannulated and exposed to the virus. The control monkey received instillations of PBS instead of virus. Biopsies of the left medial turbinate were carried out on day 135 in one of the infected monkeys, on day 138 on the second infected monkey, and on day 142 on the third infected monkey and on the control monkey.

For evaluations, monkeys were anesthetized by intramuscular injection of ketamine (15 mg/kg). To obtain nasal epithelial cells, the nasal mucosa was first impregnated with 5 drops of Afrin (0.05% oxymetazoline hydrochloride, Schering-Plough) and 1 ml of 2% Lidocaine for 5 minutes. A cytobrush was then used to gently rub the mucosa for about 3 sec. To obtain pharyngeal epithelial swabs, a cotton-tipped applicator was rubbed over the back of the pharynx 2-3 times. The resulting cells were dislodged from brushes or applicators into 2 ml of sterile PBS. Biopsies of the medial turbinate were performed using cupped forceps under direct endoscopic control.

Animals were evaluated daily for evidence of abnormal behavior of physical signs. A record of food and fluid intake was used to assess appetite and general health. Stool consistency was also recorded to check for the possibility of diarrhea. At each of the evaluation time points, rectal temperature, respiratory rate, and heart rate were measured. The nasal mucosa, conjunctivas, and pharynx were visually inspected. The monkeys were also examined for lymphadenopathy.

Venous blood from the monkeys was collected by standard venipuncture technique. Blood/serum analysis was performed in the clinical laboratory of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics using a Hitachi 737 automated chemistry analyzer and a Technicom H6 automated hematology analyzer.

Serology

Sera were obtained and anti-adenoviral antibody titers were measured by an enzyme-linked immunoadsorbant assay (ELISA). For the ELISA, 50 ng/well of filled adenovirus (Lee Biomolecular Research Laboratories, San Diego, Ca) in 0.1M $NaHCO_3$ were coated on 96 well plates at 4°C overnight. The test samples at appropriate dilutions were added, starting at a dilution of 1/50. The samples were incubated for 1 hour, the plates washed, and a goat anti-human IgG HRP conjugate (Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, West Grove, PA) was added and incubated for 1 hour. The plates were washed and O-Phenylenediamine (Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO) was added for 30 min. at room temperature. The assay was stopped with 4.5 M H_2SO_4 and read at 490 nm on a Molecular Devices microplate reader. The titer was calculated as the product of the reciprocal of the initial dilution and the reciprocal of the dilution in the last well with an OD>0.100.

Neutralizing antibodies measure the ability of the monkey serum to prevent infection of 293 cells by adenovirus. Monkey serum (1:25 dilution) [or nasal washings (1:2 dilutions)] was added in two-fold serial dilutions to a 96 well plate. Adenovirus (2.5×10^5 pfu) was added and incubated for 1 hour at 37°C. The 293 cells were then added to all wells and the

plates were incubated until the serum-free control wells exhibited >95% cytopathic effect. The titer was calculated as the product of the reciprocal of the initial dilution times the reciprocal of the dilution in the last well showing >95% cytopathic effect.

Bronchoalveolar lavage and nasal brushings for cytology

Bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) was performed by cannulating the trachea with a silastic catheter and injecting 5 ml of PBS. Gentle suction was applied to recover the fluid. The BAL sample was spun at 5000 rpm for 5 min. and cells were resuspended in 293 media at a concentration of 10^6 cells/ml. Cells were obtained from the monkey's nasal epithelium by gently rubbing the nasal mucosa for about 3 sec. with a cytobrush. The resulting cells were dislodged from the brushes into 2 ml of PBS. Forty microliters of the cell suspension were cytocentrifuged onto slides and stained with Wright's stain. Samples were examined by light microscopy.

Histology of lung sections and nasal biopsies

The right lung of each cotton rat was removed, inflated with 4% formaldehyde, and embedded in paraffin for sectioning. Nasal biopsies from the monkeys were also fixed with 4% formaldehyde. Histologic sections were stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). Sections were reviewed by at least one of the study personnel and by a pathologist who was unaware of the treatment each rat received.

Immunocytochemistry

Pieces of lung and trachea of the cotton rats and nasal biopsies were frozen in liquid nitrogen on O.C.T. compound. Cryosections and paraffin sections of the specimens were used for immunofluorescence microscopy. Cytospin slides of nasal brushings were prepared on gelatin coated slides and fixed with paraformaldehyde. The tissue was permeabilized with Triton X-100, then a pool of monoclonal antibodies to CFTR (M13-1, M1-4) (Denning, G.M. et al. (1992) *J. Clin. Invest.* 89:339-349) was added and incubated for 12 hours. The primary antibody was removed and an anti-mouse biotinylated antibody (Biomeda, Foster City, CA) was added. After removal of the secondary antibody, streptavidin FITC (Biomeda, Foster City, Ca) was added and the slides were observed under a laser scanning confocal microscope. Both control animal samples and non-immune IgG stained samples were used as controls.

PCR

PCR was performed on pieces of small bowel, brain, heart, kidney, liver, ovaries, and spleen from cotton rats. Approximately 1 g of the rat organs was mechanically ground and mixed with 50 µl sterile water, boiled for 5 min., and centrifuged. A 5 µl aliquot of the

supernatant was removed for further analysis. Monkey nasal brushings suspensions were also used for PCR.

Nested PCR primer sets were designed to selectively amplify Ad2/CFTR-1 DNA over endogenous CFTR by placing one primer from each set in the adenovirus sequence and the other primer in the CFTR sequence. The first primer set amplifies a 723 bp fragment and is shown below:

Ad2 5' ACT CTT GAG TGC CAG CGA GTA GAG TTT TCT CCT CCG 3' (SEQ ID NO:4)

CFTR 5' GCA AAG GAG CGA TCC ACA CGA AAT GTG CC 3' (SEQ ID NO:5)

The nested primer set amplifies a 506 bp fragment and is shown below:

Ad2 5' CTC CTC CGA GCC GCT CCG AGC TAG 3' (SEQ ID NO:6)

CFTR 5' CCA AAA ATG GCT GGG TGT AGG AGC AGT GTC C 3' (SEQ ID NO:7)

A PCR reaction mix containing 10mM Tris-Cl (pH 8.3), 50mM KCl, 1.5 mM $MgCl_2$, 0.001% (w/v) gelatin, 400 µM each dNTP, 0.6 µM each primer (first set), and 2.5 units AmpliTaq (Perkin Elmer) was aliquoted into separate tubes. A 5 µl aliquot of each sample prep was then added and the mixture was overlaid with 50 µl of light mineral oil. The samples were processed on a Barnstead/Thermolyne (Dubuque, IA) thermal cycler programmed for 1 min. at 94°C, 1 min. at 65°C, and 2 min. at 72°C for 40 cycles. Post-run dwell was for 7 min. at 72°C. A 5 µl aliquot was removed and added to a second PCR reaction using the nested set of primers and cycled as above. A 10 µl aliquot of the final amplification reaction was analyzed on a 1% agarose gel and visualized with ethidium bromide.

To determine the sensitivity of this procedure, a PCR mix containing control rat liver supernatant was aliquoted into several tubes and spiked with dilutions of Ad2/CFTR-1. Following the amplification protocols described above, it was determined that the nested PCR procedure could detect as little as 50 pfu of viral DNA.

RT-PCR

RT-PCR was used to detect vector-generated mRNA in cotton rat lung tissue and samples from nasal brushings from monkeys. A 200 µl aliquot of guanidine isothiocyanate solution (4 M guanidine isothiocyanate, 25 mM sodium citrate pH 7.0, 0.5% sarcosyl, and 0.1 M β-mercaptoethanol) was added to a frozen section of each lung and pellet from nasal brushings and the tissue was mechanically ground. Total RNA was isolated utilizing a single-step method (Chomczynski, P. and Sacchi, N. et al. (1987) *Analytical Biochemistry* 162:156-159; Hanson, C.A. et al. (1990) *Am. J. Pathol.* 137:1-6). The RNA was incubated with 1 unit RQ1 RNase-free DNase (Promega Corp., Madison WI)) at 37°C for 20 min., denatured at 99°C for 5 min., precipitated with ammonium acetate and ethanol, and redissolved in 4 µl diethylpyrocarbonate treated water containing 20 units RNase Block 1 (Stratagene, La Jolla CA). A 2 µl aliquot of the purified RNA was reverse transcribed using

the GeneAmp RNA PCR kit (Perkin Elmer Cetus) and the downstream primer from the first primer set described in the previous section. Reverse transcriptase was omitted from the reaction with the remaining 2 µl of the purified RNA prep, as a control in which preparations (both +/- RT) were then amplified using nested primer sets and the PCR protocols described above. A 10 µl aliquot of the final amplification reaction was analyzed on a 1% agarose gel and visualized with ethidium bromide.

Southern analysis.

To verify the identity of the PCR products, Southern analysis was performed. The DNA was transferred to a nylon membrane as described (Sambrook et al., *supra*). A fragment of CFTR cDNA (amino acids #1-525) was labeled with [^{32}P]-dCTP (ICN Biomedicals, Inc. Irvine CA) using an oligolabeling kit (Pharmacia, Piscataway, NJ) and purified over a NICK column (Pharmacia Piscataway, NJ) for use as a hybridization probe. The labeled probe was denatured, cooled, and incubated with the prehybridized filter for 15 hours at 42°C. The hybridized filter was then exposed to film (Kodak XAR-5) for 10 min.

Culture of Ad2/CFTR-1

Viral cultures were performed on the permissive 293 cell line. For culture of virus from lung tissue, 1 g of lung was frozen/thawed 3-6 times and then mechanically disrupted in 200 µl of 293 media. For culture of BAL and monkey nasal brushings, the cell suspension was spun for 5 min and the supernatant was collected. Fifty µl of the supernatant was added in duplicate to 293 cells grown in 96 well plates at 50% confluence. The 293 cells were incubated for 72 hr at 37°C, then fixed with a mixture of equal parts of methanol and acetone for 10 min. and incubated with FITC-labeled anti-adenovirus monoclonal antibodies (Chemicon, Light Diagnostics, Temecuca, CA) for 30 min. Positive nuclear immunofluorescence was interpreted as positive culture. The sensitivity of the assay was evaluated by adding dilutions of Ad2/CFTR-1 to 50 µl of the lung homogenate from one of the control rats. Viral replication was detected when as little as 1 pfu was added.

RESULTS

Efficacy of Ad2/CFTR-1 in the lungs of cotton rats.

To test the ability of Ad2/CFTR-1 to transfer CFTR cDNA to the intrapulmonary airway epithelium, several studies were performed. 4 x 10 pfu - IU of Ad2/CFTR-1 in 100 µl was adminstered to seven cotton rats; three control rats received 100 µl of TBS (the vehicle for the virus). The rats were sacrificed 4, 10 or 14 days later. To detect viral transcripts encoding CFTR, reverse transcriptase was used to prepare cDNA from lung homogenates. The cDNA was amplified with PCR using primers that span adenovirus and CFTR-encoded

sequences. Thus, the procedure did not detect endogenous rat CFTR. Figure 16 shows that the lungs of animals which received Ad2/CFTR-1 were positive for virally-encoded CFTR mRNA. The lungs of all control rats were negative.

To detect the protein, lung sections were immunostained with antibodies specific to CFTR. CFTR was detected at the apical membrane of bronchial epithelium from all rats exposed to Ad2/CFTR-1, but not from control rats. The location of recombinant CFTR at the apical membrane is consistent with the location of endogenous CFTR in human airway epithelium. Recombinant CFTR was detected above background levels because endogenous levels of CFTR in airway epithelia are very low and thus, difficult to detect by immunocytochemistry (Trapnell, B. et al. (1991) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:6565-6569; Denning, G.M. et al. (1992) *J. Cell Biol.* 118:551-59).

These results show that Ad2/CFTR-1 directs the expression of CFTR mRNA in the lung of the cotton rat and CFTR protein in the intrapulmonary airways.

Safety of Ad2/CFTR-1 in cotton rats.

Because the E1 region of Ad2 is deleted in the Ad2/CFTR-1 virus, the vector was expected to be replication-impaired (Berkner, K.L. (1988) *BioTechniques* 6:616-629) and that it would be unable to shut off host cell protein synthesis (Basuss, L.E. et al. (1989) *J. Virol.* 50:202-212). Previous *in vitro* studies have suggested that this is the case in a variety of cells including primary cultures of human airway epithelial cells (Rich, D.P. et al. (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* 4:461-476). However, it is important to confirm this *in vivo* in the cotton rat, which is the most permissive animal model for human adenovirus infection (Ginsberg, H.S. et al. (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:3823-3827; Prince, G.A. et al. (1993) *J. Virol* 67:101-111). Although dose of virus of 4.1×10^{10} pfus per kg was used, none of the rats died. More importantly, extracts from lung homogenates from each of the cotton rats were cultured in the permissive 293 cell line. With this assay 1 pfu of recombinant virus was detected in lung homogenate. However, virus was not detected by culture in the lungs of any of the treated animals. Thus, the virus did not appear to replicate *in vivo*.

It is also possible that administration of Ad2/CFTR-1 could cause an inflammatory response, either due to a direct effect of the virus or as a result of administration of viral particles. Several studies were performed to test this possibility. None of the rats had a change in the total or differential white blood cell count, suggesting that there was no major systemic inflammatory response. To assess the pulmonary inflammatory response more directly, bronchoalveolar lavage was performed on each of the rats (Figures 17A and 17B). Figure 17A shows that there was no change in the total number of cells recovered from the lavage or in the differential cell count.

Sections of the lung stained by H&E were also prepared. There was no evidence of viral inclusions or any other changes characteristic of adenoviral infection (Prince, G.A. et al. (1993) *J. Virol.* 67:101-111). When coded lung sections were evaluated by a skilled reader

who was unaware of which sections were treated, she was unable to distinguish between sections from the treated and untreated lungs.

It seemed possible that the recombinant adenovirus could escape from the lung into other tissues. To test for this possibility, other organs from the rats were evaluated using nested PCR to detect viral DNA. All organs tested from infected rats were negative, with the exception of small bowel which was positive in 3 of 7 rats. Figure 18 shows the results of 2 infected rats and one control rat sacrificed on day 4 after infection. The organ homogenates from the infected rats sacrificed were negative for Ad2/CFTR-1 with the exception of the small bowel. Organ homogenates from control rats sacrificed on day 4 after infection were negative for Ad2/CFTR-1. The presence of viral DNA in the small bowel suggests that the rats may have swallowed some of the virus at the time of instillation or, alternatively, the normal airway clearance mechanisms may have resulted in deposition of viral DNA in the gastrointestinal tract. Despite the presence of viral DNA in homogenates of small intestine, none of the rats developed diarrhea. This result suggests that if the virus expressed CFTR in the intestinal epithelium, there was no obvious adverse consequence.

Repeat administration of Ad2/CFTR-1 to cotton rats

Because adenovirus DNA integration into chromosomal DNA is not necessary for gene expression and only occurs at very low frequency, expression following any given treatment was anticipated to be finite and that repeated administration of recombinant adenovirus would be required for treatment of CF airway disease. Therefore, the effect of repeated administration of Ad2/CFTR-1 cotton rats was examined. Twelve cotton rats received 50 µl of Ad2/CFTR-1. Two weeks later, 9 of the rats received a second dose of 50 µl of Ad2/CFTR-1 and 3 rats received 50 µl of TBS. Rats were sacrificed on day 3, 7, or 14 after virus administration. At the time of the second vector administration all cotton rats had an increased antibody titer to adenovirus.

After the second intrapulmonary administration of virus, none of the rats died. Moreover, the results of studies assessing safety and efficacy were similar to results obtained in animals receiving adenovirus for the first time. Viral cultures of rat lung homogenates on 293 cells were negative at all time points, suggesting that there was no virus replication. There was no difference between treated and control rats in the total or differential white blood count at any of the time points. The lungs were evaluated by histologic sections stained with H&E; and found no observable differences between the control and treated rats when sections were read by us or by a blinded skilled reader. Examples of some sections are shown in Figure 19. When organs were examined for viral DNA using PCR, viral DNA was found only in the small intestine of 2 rats. Despite seropositivity of the rats at the time of the second administration, expression of CFTR (as assessed by RT-PCR and by immunocytochemistry of sections stained with CFTR antibodies) similar to that seen in animals that received a single administration was observed.

These results suggest that prior administration of Ad2/CFTR-1 and the development of an antibody response did not cause an inflammatory response in the rats nor did it prevent virus-dependent production of CFTR.

Evidence that Ad2/CFTR-1 expresses CFTR in primate airway epithelium

The cells lining the respiratory tract and the immune system of primates are similar to those of humans. To test the ability of Ad2/CFTR-1 to transfer CFTR to the respiratory epithelium of primates, Ad2/CFTR was applied on three occasions as described in the methods to the nasal epithelium of three Rhesus monkeys. To obtain cells from the respiratory epithelium, the epithelium was brushed using a procedure similar to that used to sample the airway epithelium of humans during fiberoptic bronchoscopy.

To assess gene transfer, RT-PCR was used as described above for the cotton rats. RT - PCR was positive on cells brushed from the right nostril of all three monkeys, although it was only detectable for 18 days after virus administration. An example of the results are shown in Figure 20A. The presence of a positive reaction in cells from the left nostril most likely represents some virus movement to the left side due to drainage, or possibly from the monkey moving the virus from one nostril to the other with its fingers after it recovered from anesthesia.

The specificity of the RT-PCR is shown in Figure 20B. A Southern blot with a probe to CFTR hybridized with the RT-PCR product from the monkey infected with Ad2/CFTR-1. As a control, one monkey received a different virus (Ad2/βGal-1) which encodes β-galactosidase. When different primers were used to reverse transcribe the β-galactosidase mRNA and amplify the cDNA, the appropriate PCR product was detected. However, the PCR product did not hybridize to the CFTR probe on Southern blot. This result shows the specificity of the reaction for amplification of the adenovirus-directed CFTR transcript.

The failure to detect evidence of adenovirus-encoded CFTR mRNA at 18 days or beyond suggests that the sensitivity of the RT-PCR may be low because of limited efficacy of the reverse transcriptase or because RNAses may have degraded RNA after cell acquisition. Viral DNA, however, was detected by PCR in brushings from the nasal epithelium for seventy days after application of the virus. This result indicates that although mRNA was not detected after 2 weeks, viral DNA was present for a prolonged period and may have been transcriptionally active.

To assess the presence of CFTR proteins directly, cells obtained by brushing were plated onto slides by cytospin and stained with antibodies to CFTR. Figure 21 shows an example of the immunocytochemistry of the brushed cells. A positive reaction is clearly evident in cells exposed to Ad2/CFTR-1. The cells were scored as positive by immunocytochemistry when evaluated by a reader uninformed to the identity of the samples. Immunocytochemistry remained positive for five to six weeks for the three monkeys, even after the second administration of Ad2/CFTR-1. On occasion, a few positive staining cells

were observed from the contralateral nostril of the monkeys. However, this was of short duration, lasting at most one week.

Sections of nasal turbinate biopsies obtained within a week after the third infection were also examined. In sections from the control monkey, little if any immunofluorescence from the surface epithelium was observed, but the submucosal glands showed significant staining of CFTR (Fig. 22). These observations are consistent with results of previous studies (Engelhardt, J.F. and Wilson, J.M. (1992) *Nature Gen.* 2:240-248.) In contrast, sections from monkeys that received Ad2/CFTR-1 revealed increased immunofluorescence at the apical membrane of the surface epithelium. The submucosal glands did not appear to have greater immunostraining than was observed under control conditions. These results indicate that Ad2/CFTR-1 can transfer the CFTR cDNA to the airway epithelium of Rhesus monkeys, even in seropositive animals (see below).

Safety of Ad2/CFTR-1 administered to monkeys

Figure 23 shows that all three treated monkeys developed antibodies against adenovirus. Antibody titers measured by ELISA rose within two weeks after the first infection. With subsequent infections the titer rose within days. The sentinel monkey had low antibody titers throughout the experiment. Tests for the presence of neutralizing antibodies were also performed. After the first administration, neutralizing antibodies were not observed, but they were detected after the second administration and during the third viral administration (Fig. 23).

To detect virus, supernatants from nasal brushings and swabs were cultured on 293 cells. All monkeys had positive cultures on day 1 and on day 3 or 4 from the infected nostril. Cultures remained positive in one of the monkeys at seven days after administration, but cultures were never positive beyond 7 days. Live virus was occasionally detected in swabs from the contra lateral nostril during the first 4 days after infection. The rapid loss of detectable virus suggests that there was not viral replication. Stools were routinely cultured, but virus was never detected in stools from any of the monkeys.

None of the monkeys developed any clinical signs of viral infection or inflammation. Visual inspection of the nasal epithelium revealed slight erythema in all three monkeys in both nostrils on the first day after infection; but similar erythema was observed in the control monkey and likely resulted from the instrumentation. There was no visible abnormalities at days 3 or 4, or on weekly inspection thereafter. Physical examination revealed no fever, lymphadenopathy, conjunctivitis, tachypnea, or tachycardia at any of the time points. No abnormalities were found in a complete blood count or sedimentation rate, nor were abnormalities observed in serum electrolytes, transaminases, or blood urea nitrogen and creatinine.

Examination of Wright-stained cells from the nasal brushings showed that neutrophils and lymphocytes accounted for less than 5% of total cells in all three monkeys.

Administration of the Ad2/CFTR-1 caused no change in the distribution or number of inflammatory cells at any of the time points following virus administration. H&E stains of the nasal turbinate biopsies specimens from the control monkey could not be differentiated from that of the experimental monkey when the specimens were reviewed by an independent pathologist. (Fig. 24)

These results demonstrate the ability of a recombinant adenovirus encoding CFTR (Ad2/CFTR-1) to express CFTR cDNA in the airway epithelium of cotton rats and monkeys during repeated administration. They also indicate that application of the virus involves little if any risk. Thus, they suggest that such a vector may be of value in expressing CFTR in the airway epithelium *of humans* with cystic fibrosis.

Two methods were used to show that Ad2/CFTR-1 expresses CFTR in the airway epithelium of cotton rats and primates: CFTR mRNA was detected using RT-PCR and protein was detected by immunocytochemistry. Duration of expression as assessed immunocytochemically was five to six weeks. Because very little protein is required to generate Cl^- secretion (Welsh, M.J. (1987) *Physiol. Rev.* 67:1143-1184; Trapnell, B.C. et al. (1991) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:6565-6569; Denning, G.M. et al. (1992) *J. Cell Biol.* 118:551-559), it is likely that functional expression of CFTR persists substantially longer than the period of time during which CFTR was detected by immunocytochemistry. Support for this evidence comes from two consderations: first, it is very difficult to detect CFTR immuncytochemically in the airway epithelium, yet the expression of an apical membrane Cl^- permeability due to the presence of CFTR Cl^- channels is readily detected. The ability of a minimal amount of CFTR to have important functional effects is likely a result of the fact that a single ion channel conducts a very large number of ions (10^6 - 10^7 ions/sec). Thus, ion channels are not usually abundant proteins in epithelia. Second, previous work suggests that the defective electrolyte transport of CF epithelia can be corrected when only 6-10% of cells in a CF airway epithelium overexpress wild-type CFTR (Johnson, L.G. et al. (1992) *Nature Gen.* 2:21-25). Thus, correction of the biologic defect in CF patients may be possible when only a small percent of the cells express CFTR. This is also consistent with our previous studies *in vitro* showing that Ad2/CFTR-1 at relatively low multiplicities of infection generated a cAMP-stimulated Cl^- secretory response in CF epithelia (Rich, D.P. et al. (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* 4:461-476).

This study also provides the first comprehensive data on the safety of adenovirus vectors for gene transfer to airway epithelium. Several aspects of the studies are encouraging. There was no evidence of viral replication, rather infectious viral particles were rapidly cleared from both cotton rats and primates. These data, together with our previous *in vitro* studies, suggest that replication of recombinant virus in humans will likely not be a problem. The other major consideration for safety of an adenovirus vector in the treatment of CF is the possibility of an inflammatory response. The data indicate that the virus generated an antibody response in both cotton rats and monkeys. Despite this, no evidence of a

systemic or local inflammatory response was observed. The cells obtained by bronchoalveolar lavage and by brushing and swabs were not altered by virus application. Moreover, the histology of epithelia treated with adenovirus was indistinguishable from that of control epithelia. These data suggest that at least three sequential exposures of airway epithelium to adenovirus does not cause a detrimental inflammatory response.

These data suggest that Ad2/CFTR-1 can effectively transfer CFTR cDNA to airway epithelium and direct the expression of CFTR. They also suggest that transfer is relatively safe in animals. Thus, they suggest that Ad2/CFTR-1 may be a good vector for treating patients with CF. This was confirmed in the following example.

Example 10 - CFTR Gene Therapy in Nasal Epithelia from Human CF Subjects

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Adenovirus vector

The recombinant adenovirus Ad2/CFTR-1 was used to deliver CFTR cDNA. The construction and preparation of Ad2/CFTR-1, and its use *in vitro* and *in vivo* in animals, has been previously described (Rich, D.P. et al. (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* 4:461-476; Zabner, J. et al. (1993) *Nature Gen.* (in press)). The DNA construct comprises a full length copy of the Ad2 genome from which the early region 1 genes (nucleotides 546 to 3497) have been replaced by cDNA for CFTR. The viral E1a promoter was used for CFTR cDNA; this is a low to moderate strength promoter. Termination/polyadenylation occurs at the site normally used by E1b and protein IX transcripts. The E3 region of the virus was conserved.

Patients

Three patients with CF were studied. Genotype was determined by IG Labs (Framingham, MA). All three patients had mild CF as defined by an NIH score > 70 (Taussig, L.M. et al. (1973) *J. Pediatr.* 82:380-390), a normal weight for height ratio, a forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1) greater than 50% of predicted and an arterial PO_2 greater than 72. All patients were seropositive for type 2 adenovirus, and had no recent viral illnesses. Pretreatment cultures of nasal swabs, pharyngeal swabs, sputum, urine, stool, and blood leukocytes were negative for adenovirus. PCR of pretreatment nasal brushings using primers for the adenovirus E1 region were negative. Patients were evaluated at least twice by FEV1, cytology of nasal mucosa, visual inspection, and measurement of V_t before treatment. Prior to treatment, a coronal computed tomographic scan of the paranasal sinuses and a chest X-ray were obtained.

The first patient was a 21 year old woman who was diagnosed at 3 months after birth. She had pancreatic insufficiency, a positive sweat chloride test (101 mEq/l), and is homozygous for the ΔF508 mutation. Her NIH score was 90 and her FEV1 was 83%

predicted. The second patient was a 36 year old man who was diagnosed at the age of 13 when he presented with symptoms of pancreatic insufficiency. A sweat chloride test revealed a chloride concentration of 70 mEq/l. He is a heterozygote with the ΔF508 and G55ID mutations. His NIH score was 88 and his FEVI was 66% predicted. The third patient was a 50 year old woman, diagnosed at the age of 9 with a positive sweat chloride test (104 mEq/1). She has pancreatic insufficiency and insulin dependent diabetes mellitus. She is homozygous for the ΔF508 mutation. Her NIH score was 73 and her FEV1 was 65% predicted.

Transepithelial voltage

The transepithelial electric potential difference across the nasal epithelium was measured using techniques similar to those previously described (Alton, E.W.F.W. et al (1987) *Thorax* 42:815-817; Knowles, M. et al. (1981) *N. Eng. J. Med.* 305:1489-1495). A 23 gauge subcutaneous needle connected with sterile normal saline solution to a silver/silver chloride pellet (E.W. Wright, Guilford, CT) was used as a reference electrode. The exploring electrode was a size 8 rubber catheter (modified Argyle^{R} Foley catheter, St. Louis, MO) with one side hole at the tip. The catheter was filled with Ringer's solution containing (in mM), 135 NaCl, 2.4 KH_2PO_2, K_2HPO_4, 1.2$CaCL_2$, 1.2 $MgCl_2$ and 10 Hepes (titrated to pH 7.4 with NaOH) and was connected to a silver/silver chloride pellet. Voltage was measured with a voltmeter (Keithley Instruments Inc., Cleveland, OH) connected to a strip chart recorder (Servocorder, Watanabe Instruments, Japan). Prior to the measurements, the silver/silver chloride pellets were connected in series with the Ringer's solution; the pellets were changed if the recorded V_t was greater than ±4 mV. The rubber catheter was introduced into the nostril under telescopic guidance (Hopkins Telescope, Karl Storz, Tuttlingen West Germany) and the side hole of the catheter was placed next to the study area in the medical aspect of the inferior nasal turbinate. The distance from the anterior tip of the inferior turbinate and the spatial relationship with the medial turbinate, the maxillary sinus ostium, and in one patient a small polyp, were used to locate the area of Ad2/CFTR-1 administration for measurements. Photographs and video recorder images were also used. Basal V_t was recorded until no changes in V_t were observed after slow intermittent 100 μl/min infusion of the Ringer's solution. Once a stable baseline was achieved, 200 μl of a Ringer's solution containing 100 μ M amiloride (Merck and Co. Inc., West Point, PA) was instilled through the catheter and changes in V_t were recorded until no further change were observed after intermittent instillations. Finally, 200 μl Ringer's solution containing 100 μM amiloride plus 10 μM terbutaline (Geigy Pharmaceuticals, Ardsley, NY) was instilled and the changes in V_t were recorded.

Measurements of basal V_t were reproducible over time: in the three treated patients, the coefficients of variation before administration of Ad2/CFTR-1 were 3.6%, 12%, and 12%. The changes induced by terbutaline were also reproducible. In 30 measurements in 9 CF patients, the terbutaline-induced changes in V_t (ΔV_t) ranged from 0 mV to +4 mV;

hyperpolarization of V_t was never observed. In contrast, in 7 normal subjects ΔVt ranged from -1 mV to -5 mV; hyperpolarization was always observed.

Ad2/CFTR-1 application and cell acquisition

The patients were taken to the operating room and monitoring was commenced using continuous EKG and pulse oximetry recording as well as automatic intermittent blood pressure measurement. After mild sedation, the nasal mucosa was anesthetized by atomizing 0.5 ml of 5% cocaine. The mucosa in the area of the inferior turbinate was then packed with cotton pledgets previously soaked in a mixture of 2 ml of 0.1% adrenaline and 8 ml of 1% tetracaine. The pledgets remained in place for 10-40 min. Using endoscopic visualization with a television monitoring system, the applicator was introduced through the nostril and positioned on the medial aspect of the inferior turbinate, at least three centimeters from its anterior tip (Figures 25A-25I). The viral suspension was infused into the applicator through connecting catheters. The position of the applicator was monitored endoscopisally to ensure that it did not move and that enough pressure was applied to prevent leakage. After the virus was in contact with the nasal epithelium for thirty minutes, the viral suspension was removed, and the applicator was withdrawn. In the third patient's right nasal cavity, the virus was applied using the modified Foley catheter used for V_t measurements. The catheter was introduced without anesthetic under endoscopic guidance until the side hole of the catheter was in contact with the area of interest in the inferior turbinate. The viral solution was infused slowly until a drop of solution was seen with the telescope. The catheter was left in place for thirty minutes and then removed.

Cells were obtained from the area of virus administration approximately 2 weeks before treatment and then at weekly intervals after treatment. The inferior turbinate was packed for 10 minutes with cotton pledgets previously soaked in 1 ml of 5% cocaine. Under endoscopic control, the area of administration was gently brushed for 5 seconds. The brushed cells were dislodged in PBS. Swabs of the nasal epithelia were collected using cotton tipped applicators without anesthesia. Cytospin slides were prepared and stained with Wright's stain. Light microscopy was used to assess the respiratory epithelial cells and inflammatory cells. For biopsies, sedatives/anesthesia was administered as described for the application procedure. After endoscopic inspection, and identification of the site to be biopsied, the submucosa was injected with 1% xylocaine, with 1/100,000 epinephrine. The area of virus application on the inferior turbinate was removed. The specimen was fixed in 4% formaldehyde and stained.

RESULTS

On day one after Ad2/CFTR-1 administration and at all subsequent time points, Ad2/CFTR-1 from the nasal epithelium, pharynx, blood, urine, or stool could not be cultured. As a control for the sensitivity of the culture assay, samples were routinely spiked with 10

and 100 IU Ad2/CFTR-1. In every case, the spiked samples were positive, indicating that, at a minimum, 10 IU of Ad2/CFTR should have been detected. No evidence of a systemic response as assessed by history, physical examination, serum chemistries or cell counts, chest and sinus X-rays, pulmonary function tests, or arterial blood gases performed before and after Ad2/CFTR-1 administration. An increase in antibodies to adenovirus was not detectable by ELISA or by neutralization for 35 days after treatment.

Three to four hours after Ad2/CFTR-1 administration, at the time that local anesthesia and localized vasoconstriction abated, all patients began to complain of nasal congestion and in one case, mild rhinorrhea. These were isolated symptoms that diminished by 18 hours and resolved by 28 to 42 hours. Inspection of the nasal mucosa showed mild to moderate erythema, edema, and exudate (Figures 25A-25C). These physical findings followed a time course similar to the symptoms. The physical findings were not limited to the site of virus application, even though preliminary studies using the applicator showed that marker methylene blue was limited to the area of application. In two additional patients with CF, the identical anesthesia and application procedure were used, but saline was applied instead of virus, yet the same symptoms and physical findings were observed in these patients (Figures 25G-25I). Moreover, the local anesthesia and vasoconstriction generated similar changes even when the applicator was not used, suggesting that the anesthesia/vasoconstriction caused some, if not all the injury. Twenty-four hours after the application procedure, analysis of cells removed from nasal swabs revealed an equivalent increase in the percent neutrophils in patients treated with Ad2/CFTR-1 or with saline. One week after application, the neutrophilia had resolved in both groups. Respiratory epithelial cells obtained by nasal brushing appeared normal at one week and at subsequent time points, and showed no evidence of inclusion bodies. To further evaluate the mucosa, the epithelium was biopsied on day three in the first patient and day one in the second patient. Independent evaluation by two pathologists not otherwise associated with the study suggested changes consistent with mild trauma and possible ischemia (probably secondary to the anesthetic/vasoconstrictors used before virus administration), but there were no abnormalities suggestive of virus-mediated damage.

Because the application procedure produced some mild injury in the first two patients, the method of administration was altered in the third patient. The method used did not require the use of local anesthesia or vasoconstriction and which was thus less likely to cause injury, but which was also less certain in its ability to constrain Ad2/CFTR-1 in a precisely defined area. On the right side, Ad2/CFTR-1 was administered as in the first two patients, and on the left side, the virus was administered without anesthesia or the applicator, instead using a small Foley catheter to apply and maintain Ad2/CFTR-1 in a relatively defined area by surface tension (Figure 25E). On the right side, the symptoms and physical findings were the same as those observed in the first two patients. By contrast, on the left side there were no symptoms and on inspection the nasal mucosa appeared normal (Figures 25D-25F). Nasal

swabs obtained from the right side showed neutrophilia similar to that observed in the first two patients. In contrast, the left side which had no anesthesia and minimal manipulation, did not develop neutrophilia. Biopsy of the left side on day 3 after administration (Figure 26), showed morphology consistent with CF-- a thickened basement membrane and occasional polymorphonuclear cells in the submucosa-- but no abnormalities that could be attributed to the adenovirus vector.

The first patient developed symptoms of a sore throat and increased cough that began three weeks after treatment and persisted for two days. Six weeks after treatment she developed an exacerbation of her bronchitis/bronchiectasis and hemoptysis that required hospitalization. The second patient had a transient episode of minimal hemoptysis three weeks after treatment; it was not accompanied by any other symptoms before or after the episode. The third patient has an exacerbation of bronchitis three weeks after treatment for which she was given oral antibiotics. Based on each patient's pretreatment clinical history, evaluation of the episodes, and viral cultures, no evidence could be discerned that linked these episodes to administration of Ad2/CFTR-1. Rather the episodes appeared consistent with the normal course of disease in each individual.

The loss of CFTR Cl^- channel function causes abnormal ion transport across affected epithelia, which in turn contributes to the pathogenesis of CF-associated airway disease (Boat, T.F. et al. in The Metabolic Basis of Inherited Diseases (Scriver, C.R. et al. eds., McGraw-Hill, New York (1989); Quinton, P.M. (1990) *FASEB J.* 4:2709-2717). In airway epithelia, ion transport is dominated by two electrically conductive processes: amiloride-sensitive absorption of Na^+ from the mucosal to the submucosal surface and cAMP-stimulated Cl^- secretion in the opposite direction. (Quinton, P.M. (1990) *FASEB J.* 4:2709-2717; Welsh, M.J. (1987) *Physiol. Rev.* 67:1143-1184). These two transport processes can be assessed noninvasively by measuring the voltage across the nasal epithelium (V_t) *in vivo* (Knowles, M. et al (1981) *N. Eng. J. Med.* 305:1489-1495; Alton, E.W.F.W. et al.(1987) *Thorax* 42:815-817). Figure 27 shows an example from a normal subject. Under basal conditions, V_t was electrically negative (lumen referenced to the submucosal surface). Perfusion of amiloride (100 μM) onto the mucosal surface inhibited V_t by blocking apical Na^+ channels (Knowles, M. et al (1981) *N. Eng. J. Med.* 305:1489-1495; Quinton, P.M. (1990) *FASEB J.* 4:2709-2717; Welsh, M.J. (1992) *Neuron* 8:821-829). Subsequent perfusion of terbutaline (10 μM) a β-adrenergic agonist, hyperpolarized V_t by increasing cellular levels of cAMP, opening CFTR Cl^- channels, and stimulating chloride secretion (Quinton, P.M. (1990) *FASEB J.* 4:2709-2717; Welsh, M.J. et al. (1992) *Neuron* 8:821-829). Figure 28A shows results from seven normal subjects: basal V_t was -10.5 ± 1.0mV, and in the presence of amiloride, terbutaline hyperpolarized V_t by -2.3 ± 0.5mV.

In patients with CF, V_t was more electrically negative than in normal subjects (Figure 28B), as has been previously reported (Knowles, M. et al. (1981) *N. Eng. J. Med.* 305:1489-1495). Basal V_t was -37.0 ± 2.4 mV, much more negative than values in normal subjects ($P<$

0.001). (Note the difference in scale in Figure 28A and Figure 28B). Amiloride inhibited V_t, as it did in normal subjects. However, V_t failed to hyperpolarize when terbutaline was perfused onto the epithelium in the presence of amiloride. Instead, V_t either did not change or became less negative: on average V_t depolarized by $+1.8 \pm 0.6$ mV, a result very different from that observed in normal subjects. ($P<0.001$).

After Ad2/CFTR-1 was applied, basal V_t became less negative in all three CF patients: Figure 29A shows an example from the third patient before (Figure 29A) and after (Figure 29B) treatment and Figures 30A, 30C, and 30E show the time course of changes in basal V_t for all three patients. The decrease in basal V_t suggests that application of Ad2/CFTR-1 corrected the CF electolyte transport defect in nasal epithelium of all three patients. Additional evidence came from an examination of the response to terbutaline. Figure 30B shows that in contrast to the response before Ad2/CFTR-1 was applied, after virus replication, in the presence of amiloride, terbutaline stimulated V_t. Figures 30B, 30D, and 30F show the time course of the response. These data indicate that Ad2/CFTR-1 corrected the CF defect in Cl^- transport. Correction of the Cl^- transport defect cannot be attributed to the anesthesia/application procedure because it did not occur in patients treated with saline instead of Ad2/CFTR-1 (Figure 31). Moreover, the effects of the anesthesia were generalized on the nasal mucosa, but basal V_t decreased only in the area of virus administration. Finally, similar changes were observed in the left nasal mucosa of the third patient (Figures 30E and 30F), which had no symptomatic or physical response after the modified application procedure.

Unsuccessful attempts were made to detect CFTR transcripts by reverse transciptase-PCR and by immunocytochemistry in cells from nasal brushings and biopsies. Although similar studies in animals have been successful (Zabner, J. et al. (1993) *Nature Gen.* (in press)), those studies used much higher doses of Ad2/CFTR-1. The lack of success in the present case likely reflects the small amount of available tissue, the low MOI, the fact that only a fraction of cells may have been corrected, and the fact that Ad2/CFTR-1 contains a low to moderate strength promoter (Ela) which produces much less mRNA and protein than comparable constructs using a much stronger CMV promoter (unpublished observation). The Ela promoter was chosen because CFTR normally expressed at very low levels in airway epithelial cells (Trapnell, B.C. et al. (1991) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:6565-6569). It is also difficult to detect CFTR protein and mRNA in normal human airway epithelia, although function is readily detected because a single ion channel can conduct a very large number of ions per second and thus efficiently support Cl^- transport.

With time, the electrical changes that indicate correction of the CF defect reverted toward pretreatment values. However, the basal V_t appeared to revert more slowly than did the change in V_t produced by terbutaline. The significance of this difference is unknown, but it may reflect the relative sensitivity of the two measurements to expression of normal CFTR. In any case, this study was not designed to test the duration of correction because the treated

area was removed by biopsy on one side and the nasal mucosa on the other side was brushed to obtain cells for analysis at 7 to 10 days after virus administration, and then at approximately weekly intervals. Brushing the mucosa removes cells, disrupts the epithelium, and reduces basal V_t to zero for at least two days afterwards, thus preventing an accurate assessment of duration of the effect of Ad2/CFTR-1.

Efficacy of adenovirus-mediated gene transfer.

The major conclusion of this study is that *in vivo* application of a recombinant adenovirus encoding CFTR can correct the defect in airway epithelial Cl^- transport that is characteristic of CF epithelia.

Complementation of the Cl^- channel defect in human nasal epithelium could be measured as a change in basal voltage and as a change in the response to cAMP agonists. Although the protocol was not designed to establish duration, changes in these parameters were detected for at least three weeks. These results represent the first report that administration of a recombinant adenovirus to humans can correct a genetic lesion as measured by a functional assay. This study contrasts with most earlier attempts at gene transfer to humans, in that a recombinant viral vector was administered directly to humans, rather than using a *in vitro* protocol involving removal of cells from the patient, transduction of the cells in culture, followed by reintroduction of the cells into the patient.

Evidence that the CF Cl^- transport defect was corrected at all three doses of virus, corresponding to 1, 3, and 25 MOI, was obtained. This result is consistent with earlier studies showing that similar MOIs reversed the CF fluid and electrolyte transport defects in primary cultures of CF airway cells grown as epithelia on permeable filter supports (Rich, D.P. et al. (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* 4:461-476 and Zabner et al. submitted for publication): at an MOI of less than 1, cAMP-stimulated Cl^- secretion was partially restored, and after treatment with 1 MOI Ad2/CFTR-1 cAMP agonists stimulated fluid secretion that was within the range observed in epithelia from normal subjects. At an MOI of 1, a related adenovirus vector produced β-galactosidase activity in 20% of infected epithelial cells as assessed by fluorescence-activated cell analysis (Zabner et al. submitted for publication). Such data would imply that pharmacologic dose of adenovirus in CF airways might correspond to an MOI of one. If it is estimated that there are $2x10^6$ cells/cm^2 in the airway (Mariassy, A.T. in Comparative Biology of the Normal Lung (CRC Press, Boca Raton 1992), and that the airways from the trachea to the respiratory bronchioles have a surface area of 1400 cm^2 (Weibel, E.R. Morphometry of the Human Lung (Springer Verlag, Heidelberg, 1963) then there would be approximately $3x10^9$ potential target cells. Assuming a particle to IU ratio of 100, this would correspond to approximately $3x10^{11}$ particles of adenovirus with a mass of approximately 75 μg. While obviously only a crude estimate, such information is useful in designing animal experiments to establish the likely safety profile of a human dose.

It is possible that an efficacious MOI of recombinant adenovirus could be less than the lowest MOI tested here. Some evidence suggests that not all cells in an epithelial monolayer need to express CFTR to correct the CF electrolyte transport defects. Mixing experiments showed that when perhaps 5-10% of cells overexpress CFTR, the monolayer exhibits wild-type electrical properties (Johnson, L.G. et al. (1992) *Nature Gen.* 2:21-25). Studies using liposomes to express CFTR in mice bearing a disrupted CFTR gene also suggest that only a small proportion of cells need to be corrected (Hyde, S.C. et al. (1993) *Nature* 362:250-255). The results referred to above using airway epithelial monolayers and multiplicities of Ad2/CFTR-1 as low as 0.1 showed measurable changes in Cl^- secretion (Rich, D.P. et al. (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* 4:461-476 and Zabner et al. submitted for publication).

Given the very high sensitivity of electrolyte transport assays (which result because a single Cl^- channel is capable of transporting large numbers of ions/sec) and the low activity of the E1a promoter used to transcribe CFTR, the inability to detect CFTR protein and CFTR mRNA are perhaps not surprising. Although CFTR mRNA could not be detected by reverse transcriptase-PCR, Ad2/CFTR-1 DNA could be detected in the samples by standard PCR, demonstrating the presence of input DNA and suggesting that the reverse transcriptase reaction may have been suboptimal. This could have occurred because of factors in the tissue that inhibit the reverse transcriptase. Although there is little doubt that the changes in electrolyte transport measured here result from expression of CFTR, it remains to be seen whether this will lead to measurable clinical changes in lung function.

Safety considerations.

Application of the adenovirus vector to the nasal epithelium in these three patients was well-tolerated. Although mild inflammation was observed in the nasal epithelium of all three patients following administration of Ad2/CFTR-1, similar changes were observed in two volunteers who underwent a sham procedure using saline rather than the viral vector. Clearly a combination of anesthetic- and procedure-related trauma resulted in the changes in the nasal mucosa. There is insufficient evidence to conclude that no inflammation results from virus administration. However, using a modified administration of the highest MOI of virus tested (25 MOI) in one patient, no inflammation was observed under conditions that resulted in evidence of biophysical efficacy that lasted until the area was removed by biopsy at three days.

There was no evidence of replication of Ad2/CFTR-1. Earlier studies had established that replication of Ad2/CFTR-1 in tissue culture and experimental animals is severely impaired (Rich, D.P. et al. (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* 4:461-476; Zabner, J. et al. (1993) *Nature Gen.* (in press)). Replication only occurs in cells that supply the missing early proteins of the E1 region of adenovirus, such as 293 cells, or under conditions where the E1 region is provided by coinfection with or recombination with an E1-containing adenovirus

(Graham, F.L. and Prevec, L. Vaccines: New Approaches to Immunological Problems (R.W. Ellis, ed., Boston, Butterworth-Heinermann, 1992); Berkner, K.L. (1988) *Biotechniques* 6:616-629). The patients studied here were seropositive for adenovirus types 2 and 5 prior to the study were negative for adenovirus upon culture of nasal swabs prior to administration of Ad2/CFTR-1, and were shown by PCR methods to lack endogenous E1 DNA sequences such as have been reported in some human subjects (Matsuse T. et al. (1992) *Am. Rev. Respir. Dis.* 146:177-184).

Example 11 - Construction and Packaging of Pseudo Adenoviral Vector (PAV)

With reference to Figure 32, the PAV construct was made by inserting the Ad2 packaging signal and E1 enhancer region (0-358 nt) in Bluescript II SK- (Stratagene, LaJolla, CA). A variation of this vector, known as PAV II was constructed similarly, except the Ad2 packaging signal and E1 enhancer region contained 0-380 nt. The addition of nucleotides at the 5' end results in larger PAVs, which may be more efficiently packaged, yet would include more adenoviral sequences and therefore could potentially be more immunogenic or more capable of replicating.

To allow ease of manipulation for either the insertion of gene coding regions or complete excision and use in transfections for the purpose of generating infectious particles, a complementary plasmid was also built in pBluescript SKII-. This complementary plasmid contains the Ad2 major late promoter (MLP) and tripartite leader (TPL) DNA and an SV40 T-antigen nuclear localization signal (NLS) and polyadenylation signal (SVpA). As can be seen in Figure 32, this plasmid contains a convenient restriction site for the insertion of genes of interest between the MLP/TPL and SV40 poly A. This construct is engineered such that the entire cassette may be excised and inserted into the former PAV I or PAV II construct.

Generation of PAV infectious particles was performed by excision of PAV from the plasmid with the Apa I and Sac II restriction endonucleases and co-transfection into 293 cells (an Ela/Elb expressing cell line) (Graham, F.L. et al, (1977) *J. Gen Virol* 36:59-74) with either wild-type Ad2, or packaging/replication deficient helper virus. Purification of PAV from helper can be accompanied by CsCl gradient isolation as PAV viral particles will be of a lower density and will band at a higher position in the gradient.

For gene therapy, it is desirable to generate significant quantities of PAV virion free from contaminating helper virus. The primary advantage of PAV over standard adenoviral vectors is the ability to package large DNA inserts into virion (up to about 36 kb). However, PAV requires a helper virus for replication and packaging and this helper virus will be the predominant species in any PAV preparation. To increase the proportion of PAV in viral preparation several approaches can be employed. For example, one can use a helper virus which is partially defective for packaging into virions (either by virtue of mutations in the packaging sequences (Grable, M. and Hearing P. (1992) *J. Virol.* 66: 723-731)) or by virtue of its size -viruses with genome sizes greater than approximately 37.5 kb package

inefficiently. In mixed infections with packaging defective virus, PAV would be expected to be represented at higher levels in the virus mixture than would occur with non-packaging defective helper viruses.

Another approach is to make the helper virus dependent upon PAV for its own replication. This may most easily be accomplished by deleting an essential gene from the helper virus (e.g. IX or a terminal protein) and placing that gene in the PAV vector. In this way neither PAV nor the helper virus is capable of independent replication - PAV and the helper virus are therefore co-dependent. This should result in higher PAV representation in the resulting virus preparation.

A third approach is to develop a novel packaging cell line, which is capable of generating significant quantities of PAV virion free from contaminating helper virus. A novel protein IX, (pIX) packaging system has been developed. This system exploits several documented features of adenovirus molecular biology. The first is that adenoviral defective particles are known to comprise up to 30% or more of standard wild-type adenoviral preparations. These defective or incomplete particles are stable and contain 15-95% of the adenoviral genome, typically 15-30%. Packaging of a PAV genome (15-30% of wild-type genome) should package comparably. Secondly, stable packaging of full-length Ad genome but not genomes <95% required the presence of the adenoviral gene designated pIX.

The novel packaging system is based on the generation of an Ad protein pIX expressing 293 cell line. In addition, an adenoviral helper virus engineered such that the E1 region is deleted but enough exogenous material is inserted to equal or slightly exceed the full length 36 kb size. Both of these two constructs would be introduced into the 293/pIX cell line as purified DNA. In the presence of pIX, yields of both predicted progeny viruses as seen in current PAV/Ad2 production experiments can be obtained. Virus containing lysates from these cells can then be titered independently (for the marker gene activity specific to either vector) and used to infect standard 293 (lacking pIX) at a multiplicity of infection of 1 relative to PAV. Since research with this line as well as from incomplete or defective particle research indicates that full length genomes have a competitive packaging advantage, it is expected that infection with an MOI of 1 relative to PAV will necessarily equate to an effective MOI for helper of greater than 1. All cells will presumably contain both PAV (at least 1) and helper (greater than 1). Replication and viral capsid production in this cell should occur normally but only PAV genomes should be packaged. Harvesting these 293/pIX cultures is expected to yield essentially helper-free PAV.

Example 12 - Construction of Ad2-E4/ORF 6

Ad2-E4/ORF6 (Figure 33 shows the plasmid construction of Ad2-E4/ORF6) which is an adenovirus 2 based vector deleted for all Ad2 sequences between nucleotides 32815 and 35577. This deletion removes all open reading frames of E4 but leaves the E4 promoter and first 32-37 nucleotides of the E4 mRNA intact. In place of the deleted sequences, a DNA

fragment encoding ORF6 (Ad2 nucleotides 34082-33178) which was derived by polymerase chain reaction of Ad2 DNA with ORF6 specific DNA primers (Genzyme oligo. # 2371 - CGGATCCTTTATTATAGGGGAAGTCCACGCCTAC (SEQ. ID NO:8) and oligo. #2372 - CGGGATCCATCGATGAAATATGACTACGTCCG (SEQ. ID NO:9) were inserted). Additional sequences supplied by the oligonucleotides included a cloning site at the 5' and 3' ends of the PCR fragment (ClaI and BamHI respectively) and a polyadenylation sequence at the 3' end to ensure correct polyadenylation of the ORF6 mRNA. As illustrated in Figure 33, the PCR fragment was first ligated to a DNA fragment including the inverted terminal repeat (ITR) and E4 promoter region of Ad2 (Ad2 nucleotides 35937-35577) and cloned in the bacterial plasmid pBluescript (Stratagene) to create plasmid ORF6. After sequencing to verify the integrity of the ORF6 reading frame, the fragment encompassing the ITR and ORF6 was subcloned into a second plasmid, pAd Δ E4, which contains the 3' end of Ad2 from a Sac I site to the 3' ITR (Ad2 nucleotides 28562-35937) and is deleted for all E4 sequences (promoter to poly A site Ad2 positions 32815-35641) using flanking restriction sites. In this second plasmid, virus expressing only E4 ORF6, pAdORF6 was cut with restriction enzyme PacI and ligated to Ad2 DNA digested with PacI. This PacI site corresponds to Ad2 nucleotide 28612. 293 cells were transfected with the ligation and the resulting virus was subjected to restriction analysis to verify that the Ad2 E4 region had been substituted with the corresponding region of pAdORF6 and that the only remaining E4 open reading frame was ORF6.

A cell line could in theory be established that would fully complement E4 functions deleted from a recombinant virus. The problem with this approach is that E4 functions in the regulation of host cell protein synthesis and is therefore toxic to cells. The present recombinant adenoviruses are deleted for the E1 region and must be grown in 293 cells which complement E1 functions. The E4 promoter is activated by the Ela gene product, and therefore to prevent inadvertent toxic expression of E4 transcription of E4 must be tightly regulated. The requirements of such a promoter or transactivating system is that in the uninduced state expression must be low enough to avoid toxicity to the host cell, but in the induced state must be sufficiently activated to make enough E4 gene product to complement the E4 deleted virus during virus production.

Example 13

An adenoviral vector is prepared as described in Example 7 while substituting the phosphoglycerate kinase (PGK) promoter for the Ela promoter.

Example 14

An adenoviral vector is prepared as described in Example 11 while substituting the PGK promoter for the Ad2 major late promoter (MLP).

Example 15: Generation of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR

This protocol uses a second generation adenovirus vector named Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. This virus lacks E1 and in its place contains a modified transcription unit with the PGK promoter and a poly A addition site flanking the CFTR cDNA. The PGK promoter is of only moderate strength but is long lasting and not subject to shut off. The E4 region of the vector has also been modified in that the whole coding sequence has been removed and replaced by ORF6, the only E4 gene essential for growth of Ad in tissue culture. This has the effect of generating a genome of 101% the size of wild type Ad2.

The DNA construct comprises a full length copy of the Ad2 genome from which the early region 1 (E1) genes (present at the 5' end of the viral genome) have been deleted and replaced by an expression cassette encoding CFTR. The expression cassette includes the promoter for phosphoglycerate kinase (PGK) and a polyadenylation (poly A) addition signal from the bovine growth hormone gene (BGH). In addition, the E4 region of Ad2 has been deleted and replaced with only open reading frame 6 (ORF6) of the Ad2 E4 region. The adenovirus vector is referred to as AD2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR and is illustrated schematically in Figure 34. The entire wild-type Ad2 genome has been previously sequenced (Roberts, R.J., (1986) In Adenovirus DNA, W. Oberfler, editor, Matinus Nihoff Publishing, Boston) and the existing numbering system has been adopted here when referring to the wild type genome. Ad2 genomic regions flanking E1 and E4 deletions, and insertions into the genome are being completely sequenced.

The Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR construct differs from the one used in our earlier protocol (Ad2/CFTR-1) in that the latter utilized the endogenous E1a promoter, had no poly A addition signal directly downstream of CFTR and retained an intact E4 region. The properties of Ad2/CFTR-1 in tissue culture and in animal studies have been reported (Rich et al., (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* 4:461-467; and Zabner et al. (1993) *Nature Genetics* (in Press).

At the 5' end of the genome, nucleotides 357 to 3328 of Ad2 have been deleted and replaced with (in order 5' to 3') 22 nucleotides of linker, 534 nucleotides of the PGK promoter, 86 nucleotides of linker, nucleotides 123-4622 of the published CFTR sequence (Riordan et al. (1989) *Science* 245:1066-1073), 21 nucleotides of linker, and a 32 nucleotide synthetic BGH poly A addition signal followed by a final 11 nucleotides of linker. The topology of the 5' end of the recombinant molecule is illustrated in Figure 34.

At the 3' end of the genome of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR, Ad2 sequences between nucleotides 32815 and 35577 have been deleted to remove all open reading frames of E4 but retain the E4 promoter, the E4 cap sites and first 32-37 nucleotides of E4 mRNA. The deleted sequences were replaced with a fragment derived by PCR which contains open reading frame 6 of Ad2 (nucleotides 34082-33178) and a synthetic poly A addition signal. The topology of the 3' end of the molecule is shown in Figure 34. The sequence of this segment of the molecule will be confirmed. The remainder of the Ad2 viral DNA sequence is

published in Roberts, R.J. in Adenovirus DNA. (W. Oberfler, Matinus Nihoff Publishing, Boston, 1986). The overall size of the Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR vector is 36,336 bp which is 101.3% of full length Ad2. *See* Table III for the sequence of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR.

The CFTR transcript is predicted to initiate at one of three closely spaced transcriptional start sites in the cloned PGK promoter (Singer-Sam et al. (1984) *Gene* 32:409-417) at nucleotides 828, 829 and 837 of the recombinant vector (Singer-Sam et al. (1984) *Gene* 32:409-417). A hybrid 5' untranslated region is comprised of 72, 80 or 81 nucleotides of PGK promoter region, 86 nucleotide of linker sequence, and 10 nucleotides derived from the CFTR insert. Transcriptional termination is expected to be directed by the BGH poly A addition signal at recombinant vector nucleotide 5530 yielding an approximately 4.7 kb transcript. The CFTR coding region comprises nucleotides 1010-5454 of the recombinant virus and nucleotides 182, 181 or 173 to 4624, 4623, or 4615 of the PGK-CFTR-BGH mRNA respectively, depending on which transcriptional initiation site is used. Within the CFTR cDNA there are two differences from the published (Riordan et al, *cited supra*) cDNA sequence. An A to C change at position 1990 of the CFTR cDNA (published CFTR cDNA coordinates) which was an error in the original published sequence, and a T to C change introduced at position 936. The change at position 936 is translationally silent but increases the stability of the cDNA when propagated in bacterial plasmids (Gregory et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:382-386; and Cheng et al. (1990) *Cell* 63:827-834). The 3' untranslated region of the predicted CFTR transcript comprises 21 nucleotides of linker sequence and approximately 10 nucleotides of synthetic BGH poly A additional signal.

Although the activity of CFTR can be measured by electrophysiological methods, it is relatively difficult to detect biochemically or immunocytochemically, particularly at low levels of expression (Gregory et al., *cited supra*; and Denning et al. (1992) *J. Cell Biol.* 118:551-559). A high expression level reporter gene encoding the *E. coli* β galactosidase protein fused to a nuclear localization signal derived from the SV40 T-antigen was therefore constructed. Reporter gene transcription is driven by the powerful CMV early gene constitutive promoter. Specifically, the E1 region of wild type Ad2 between nucleotides 357-3498 has been deleted and replaced it with a 515 bp fragment containing the CMV promoter and a 3252 bp fragment encoding the β galactosidase gene.

Regulatory Characteristics of the Elements of the AD2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR

In general terms, the vector is similar to several earlier adenovirus vectors encoding CFTR but it differs in three specific ways from the Ad2/CFTR-1 construct.

PGK Promoter

Transcription of CFTR is from the PGK promoter. This is a promoter of only moderate strength but because it is a so-called house keeping promoter we considered it more likely to be capable of long term albeit perhaps low level expression. It may also be less

likely to be subject to "shut-down" than some of the very strong promoters used in other studies especially with retroviruses. Since CFTR is not an abundant protein longevity of expression is probably more critical than high level expression. Expression from the PGK promoter in a retrovirus vector has been shown to be long lasting (Apperley et al. (1991) *Blood* 78:310-317).

Polyadenylation Signal

Ad2-ORG6/PGK-CFTR contains an exogenous poly A addition signal after the CFTR coding region and prior to the protein IX coding sequence of the Ad2 E1 region. Since protein is believed to be involved in packaging of virions, this coding region was retained. Furthermore, since protein IX is synthesized from a separate transcript with its own promoter, to prevent possible promoter occlusion at the protein IX promoter, the BGH poly A addition signal was inserted. There is indirect evidence that promoter occlusion can be problematic in that Ad2/CMV βGal grows to lower viral titers on 293 cells than does Ad2/βgal-1. These constructs are identical except for the promoter used for β galactosidase expression. Since the CMV promoter is much stronger than the E1a promoter it is probable that abundant transcription from the CMV promoter through the β galactosidase DNA into the protein IX coding region reduces expression of protein IX from its own promoter by promoter occlusion and that this is responsible for the lower titer of Ad2/CMV-βgal obtained.

Alterations of the E4 Region

A large portion of the E4 region of the Ad2 genome has been deleted for two reasons. The first reason is to decrease the size of the vector used or expression of CFTR. Adenovirus vectors with genomes much larger than wild type are packaged less efficiently and are therefore difficult to grow to high titer. The combination of the deletions in the E1 and E4 regions in Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR reduce the genome size to 101% of wild type. In practice it is straightforward to prepare high titer lots of this virus.

The second reason to remove E4 sequences relates to the safety of adenovirus vectors. A goal of these studies is to remove as many viral genes as possible to inactive the Ad2 virus backbone in as many ways as possible. The OF 6/7 gene of the E4 region encodes a protein that is involved in activation of the cellular transcription factor E2-F which is in turn implicated in the activation of the E2 region of adenovirus (Hemstrom et al. (1991) *J. Virol.* 65:1440-1449). Therefore removal of ORF6/7 from adenovirus vectors may provide a further margin of safety at least when grown in non-proliferating cells. The removal of the E1 region already renders such vectors disabled, in part because E1a, if present, is able to displace E2-F from the retinoblastoma gene product, thereby also contributing to the stimulation of E2 transcription. The ORF6 reading frame of Ad2 was added back to the E1-E4 backbone of the Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR vector because ORF6 function is essential for production of the recombinant virus in 293 cells. ORF6 is believed to be involved in DNA replication, host

cell shut off and late mRNA accumulation in the normal adenovirus life cycle. The E1-E4-ORF6$^+$ backbone Ad2 vector does replicate in 293 cells.

The promoter/enhancer use to drive transcription of ORF6 of E4 is the endogenous E4 promoter. This promoter requires E1a for activation and contains E1a core enhancer elements and SP1 transcription factor binding sites (reviewed in Berk, A.J. (1986) *Ann. Rev. Genet.* 20:75-79).

Replication Origin

The only replication origins present in Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR are those present in the Ad2 parent genome. Replication of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR sequences has not been detected except when complemented with wild type E1 activity.

Steps Used to Derive the DNA Construct

Construction of the recombinant Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR virus was accomplished by *in vivo* recombination of Ad2-ORF6 DNA and a plasmid containing the 5' 10.7 kb of adenovirus engineered to have an expression cassette encoding the human CFTR cDNA driven by the PGK promoter and a BGH poly A signal in place of the E1 coding region.

The generation of the plasmid, pBRAd2/PGK-CFTR is described here. The starting plasmid contains an approximately 7.5 kb insert cloned into the ClaI and BamHI sites of pBR322 and comprises the first 10,680 nucleotides of Ad2 with a deletion of the Ad2 sequences between nucleotides 356 and 3328. This plasmid contains a CMV promoter inserted into the ClaI and SpeI sites at the region of the E1 deletion and is designated pBRAd2/CMV. The plasmid also contains the Ad2 5' ITR, packaging and replication sequences and E1 enhancer. The E1 promoter, E1a and most of E1b coding region has been deleted. The 3' terminal portion of the E1b coding region coincides with the pIX promoter which was retained. The CMV promoter was removed and replaced with the PGK promoter as a ClaI and SpeI fragment from the plasmid PGK-GCR. The resulting plasmid, pBRAd2/PGK, was digested with AvrII and BstBI and the excised fragment replaced with the SpeI to BstBI fragment from the plasmid construct pAd2E1a/CFTR. This transferred a fragment containing the CFTR cDNA, BGH poly A signal and the Ad2 genomic sequences from 3327 to 10,670. The resulting plasmid is designated pBRAd2/PGK-CFTR. The CFTR cDNA fragment was originally derived from the plasmid pCMV-CFTR-936C using restriction enzymes SpeI and Ecl136II. pCMV-CFTR-936C consists of a minimal CFTR cDNA encompassing nucleotides 123-4622 of the published CFTR sequence cloned into the multiple cloning site of pRC/CMV (Invitrogen Corp.) using synthetic linkers. The CFTR cDNA within this plasmid has been completely sequenced.

The Ad2 backbone virus with the E4 region that expresses only open reading frame 6 was constructed as follows. A DNA fragment encoding ORF6 (Ad2 nucleotides 34082-33178) was derived by PCR with ORF6 specific DNA primers. Additional sequences

supplied by the oligonucleotides include cloning sites at the 5' and 3' ends of the PCR fragment. (ClaI and BamHI respectively) and a poly A addition sequence AATAAA at the 3' end to ensure correct polyadenylation of ORF6 mRNA. The PCR fragment was cloned into pBluescript (Stratagene) along with an Ad2 fragment (nucleotides 35937-35577) containing the inverted terminal repeat, E4 promoter, E4 mRNA cap sites and first 32-37 nucleotides of E4 mRNA to create pORF6. A SalI-BamHI fragment encompassing the ITR and ORF6 was used to replace the SalI-BamHI fragment encompassing the ITR and E4 deletion in pAdΔE4 contains the 3' end of Ad2 from a SpeI site to the 3' ITR (nucleotides 27123-35937) and is deleted for all E4 sequences including the promoter and poly A signal (nucleotides 32815-35641). The resulting construct, pAdE4ORF6 was cut with PacI and ligated to Ad2 DNA digested with PacI nucleotide 28612). 293 cells were transfected with the ligation reaction to generate virus containing only open reading frame 6 from the E4 region.

In Vitro Studies with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR

The ability of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR to express CFTR in several cell lines, including human HeLa cells, human 293 cells, and primary cultures of normal and CF human airway epithelia was tested. As an example, the results from the human 293 cells is related here. When human 293 cells were grown on culture dishes, the vector was able to transfer CFTR cDNA and express CFTR as assessed by immunoprecipitation and by functional assays of halide efflux. Gregory, R.J. et al. (1990) *Nature* 347:382-386; Cheng, S.H. et al. (1990) *Cell* 63:827-834. More specifically, procedures for preparing cell lysates, immunoprecipitation of proteins using anti-CFTR antibodies, one-dimensional peptide analysis and SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis were as described by Cheng et al. Cheng, S.H. et al. (1990) *Cell* 63:827-834. Halide efflux assays were performed as described by Cheng, S.H. et al. (1991) *Cell* 66:1027-1036. cAMP-stimulated CFTR chloride channel activity was measured using the halide sensitive fluorophore SPQ in 293 cells treated with 500 IU/cell Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. Stimulation of the infected cells with forskolin (20 μM) and IBMX (100 μm) increased SPQ fluorescence indicating the presence of functional chloride channels produced by the vector.

Additional studies using primary cultures of human airway (nasal polyp) epithelial cells (from CF patients) infected with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR demonstrated that Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR infection of the nasal polyp epithelial cells resulted in the expression of cAMP dependent Cl^- channels. Figure 35 is an example of the results obtained from such studies. Primary cultures of CF nasal polyp epithelial cells were infected with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR at multiplicities of 0.3, 3, and 50. Three days post infection, monlayers were mounted in Ussing chambers and short-circuit current was measured. At the indicated times: (1) 10 μM amiloride, (2) cAMP agonists (10 μM forskolin and 100 μM IBMX), and (3) 1 mM diphenylamine-2-carboxylate were added to the mucosal solution.

In Vivo Studies with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR

Virus preparation

Two preparations of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR virus were used in this study. Both were prepared at Genzyme Corporation, in a Research Laboratory. The preparations were purified on a CsCl gradient and then dialyzed against tris-buffered saline to remove the CsCl. The preparation for the first administration (lot #2) had a titer of 2×10^{10} IU/ml. The preparation for the second administration (lot #6) had a titer of 4×10^{10} IU/ml.

Animals

Three female Rhesus monkeys, *Macaca mulatta,* were used for this study. Monkey C (#20046) weighed 6.4 kg. Monkey D (#20047) weighed 6.25 kg. Monkey E (#20048) weighed 10 kg. The monkeys were housed in the University of Iowa at least 360 days before the start of the study. The animals were maintained with free access to food and water throughout the study. The animals were part of a safety study and efficacy study for a different viral vector (Ad2/CFTR-1) and they were exposed to 3 nasal viral instillation throughout the year. The previous instillation of Ad2/CFTR-1 was performed 116 days prior to the initiation of this study. All three Rhesus monkeys had an anti-adenoviral antibody response as detected by ELISA after each viral instillation. There are no known contaminants that are expected to interfere with the outcome of this study. Fluorescent lighting was controlled to automatically provide alternate light/dark cycles of approximately 12 hours each. The monkeys were housed in an isolation room in separate cages. Strict respiratory and body fluid isolation precautions were taken.

Virus administration

For application of the virus, the monkeys were anesthetized by intramuscular injection of ketamine (15 mg/kg). The entire epithelium of one nasal cavity in each monkey was used for this study. A foley catheter (size 10) was inserted through each nasal cavity into the pharynx, the balloon was inflated with a 2-3 ml of air, and then pulled anteriorly to obtain a tight occlusion at the posterior choana. The Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR virus was then instilled slowly into the right nostril with the posterior balloon inflated. The viral solution remained in contact with the nasal mucosa for 30 min. The balloons were deflated, the catheters were removed, and the monkeys were allowed to recover from anesthesia.

On the first administration, the viral preparation had a titer of 2×10^{10} IU/ml and each monkey received approximately 0.3 ml. Thus the total dose applied to each monkey was approximately 6.5×10^{9} IU. This total dose is approximately half the highest dose proposed for the human study. When considered on a IU/kg basis, a 6 kg monkey received a dose approximately 3 times greater that the highest proposed dose for a 60 kg human.

Timing of evaluations.

The animals were evaluated on the day of administration, and on days 3, 7, 24, 38, and 44 days after infection. The second administration of virus occurred on day 44. The monkeys were evaluated on day 48 and then on days 55, 62, and 129.

For evaluations, monkeys were anesthetized by intramuscular injection of ketamine (15 mg/kg). To obtain nasal epithelial cells after the first viral administration, the nasal mucosa was first impregnated with 5 drops of Afrin (0.05% oxymetazoline hydrochloride, Schering-Plough) and 1 ml of 2% Lidocaine for 5 minutes. A cytobrush was then used to gently rub the mucosa for about 3 sec. To obtain pharyngeal epithelial swabs, a cotton-tipped applicator was rubbed over the back of the pharynx 2-3 times. The resulting cells were dislodged from brushes or applicators into 2 ml of sterile PBS. After the second administration of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR, the monkeys were followed clinically for 3 weeks, and mucosal biopsies were obtained from the monkeys medial turbinate at days 4, 11 and 18.

Animal evaluation.

Animals were evaluated daily for evidence of abnormal behavior of physical signs. A record of food and fluid intake was used to assess appetite and general health. Stool consistency was also recorded to check for the possibility of diarrhea. At each of the evaluation time points, rectal temperature, respiratory rate, and heart rate were measured. The nasal mucosa, conjuctivas and pharynx were visually inspected. The monkeys were also examined for lymphadenopathy.

Hematology and serum chemistry

Venous blood from the monkeys was collected by standard venipuncture technique. Blood/serum analysis was performed in the clinical laboratory of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics using a Hitatchi 737 automated chemistry analyzer and a Technicom H6 automated hematology analyzer.

Serology

Sera from the monkeys were obtained and anti-adenoviral antibody titers were measured by ELISA. For the ELISA, 50 ng/well of killed adenovirus (Lee Biomolecular Research Laboratories, San Diego, Ca) was coated in 0.1M $NaHCO_3$ at 4° C overnight on 96 well plates. The test samples at appropriate dilutions were added, starting at a dilution of 1/50. The samples were incubated for 1 hour, the plates washed, and a goat anti-human IgG HRP conjugate (Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, West Grove, PA) was added for 1 hour. The plates were washed and O-Phenylenediamine (OPD) (Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO) was added for 30 min. at room temperature. The assay was stopped with 4.5 M H_2SO_4 and read at 490 nm on a Molecular Devises microplate reader. The titer was calculated as the product of the reciprocal of the initial dilution and the reciprocal of the

dilution in the last well with an OD>0.100. Nasal washings from the monkeys were obtained and anti-adenoviral antibody titers were measured by ELISA, starting at a dilution of 1/4.

Nasal Washings.

Nasal washings were obtained to test for the possibility of secretory antibodies that could act as neutralizing antibodies. Three ml of sterile PBS was slowly instilled into the nasal cavity of the monkeys, the fluid was collected by gravity. The washings were centrifuged at 1000 RPM for 5 minutes and the supernatant was used for anti-adenoviral, and neutralizing antibody measurement.

Cytology

Cells were obtained from the monkey's nasal epithelium by gently rubbing the nasal mucosa for about 3 seconds with a cytobrush. The resulting cells were dislodged from the brushes into 2 ml of PBS. The cell suspension was spun at 5000 rpm for 5 min. and resuspended in 293 media at a concentration of 10^6 cells/ml. Forty µl of the cell suspension was placed on slides using a Cytospin. Cytospin slides were stained with Wright's stain and analyzed for cell differential using light microscopy.

Culture for Ad2-ORF6/PFK-CFTR

To assess for the presence of infectious viral particles, the supernatant from the nasal brushings and pharyngeal swabs of the monkeys were used. Twenty-five µl of the supernatant was added in duplicate to 293 cells. 293 cells were used at 50% confluence and were seeded in 96 well plates. 293 cells were incubated for 72 hours at 37°C, then fixed with a mixture of equal parts of methanol and acetone for 10 min and incubated with an FITC label anti-adenovirus monoclonal antibodies (Chemicon, Light Diagnostics, Temecuca, Ca) for 30 min. Positive nuclear immunofluorescence was interpreted as positive culture.

Immunocytochemistry for the detection of CFTR.

Cells were obtained by brushing. Eighty µl of cell suspension were spun onto gelatin-coated slides. The slides were allowed to air dry, and then fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde. The cells were permeabilized with 0.2 Triton-X (Pierce, Rockford, Il) and then blocked for 60 minutes with 5% goat serum (Sigma, Mo). A pool of monoclonal antibodies (M13-1, M1-4, and M6-4) (Gregory et al., (1990) *Nature* 347:382-386); Denning et al., (1992) *J. Cell Biol.* 118:(3) 551-559); Denning et al., (1992) *Nature* 358:761-764) were added and incubated for 12 hours. The primary antibody was washed off and an antimouse biotinylated antibody (Biomeda, Foster City, Ca) was added. After washing, the secondary antibody, streptavidin FITC (Biomeda, Foster City, Ca) was added and the slides were observed with a laser scanning confocal microscope.

Biopsies

To assess for histologic evidence of safety, nasal medial turbinate biopsies were obtained on day 4, 11 and 18 after the second viral administration as described before (Zabner et al (1993) Human Gene Therapy, in press). Nasal biopsies were fixed in 4% formaldehyde and H&E stained sections were reviewed.

RESULTS

Studies of efficacy.

To directly assess the presence of CFTR, cells obtained by brushing were plated onto slides by cytospin and stained with antibodies to CFTR. A positive reaction is clearly evident in cells exposed to Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR. The cells were scored as positive by immunocytochemistry when evaluated by a reader blinded to the identity of the samples. Cells obtained prior to infection and from other untreated monkeys were used as negative controls. Figures 36A-36D, 37A-37D, and 38A-38D show examples from each monkey.

Studies of safety

None of the monkeys developed any clinical signs of viral infections or inflammation. There were no visible abnormalities at days 3, 4, 7 or on weekly inspection thereafter. Physical examination revealed no fever, lymphadenopathy, conjunctivitis, coryza, tachypnea, or tachycardia at any of the time points. There was no cough, sneezing or diarrhea. The monkeys had no fever. Appetites and weights were not affected by virus administration in either monkey. The data are summarized in Figures 39A-39C.

The presence of live virus was tested in the supernatant of cell suspensions from swabs and brushes from each nostril and the pharynx. Each supernatant was used to infect the virus-sensitive 293 cell line. Live virus was never detected at any of the time points. The rapid loss of live virus suggests that there was no viral replication.

The results of complete blood counts, sedimentation rate, and clinical chemistries are shown in Figure 40A-40C. There was no evidence of a systemic inflammatory response or other abnormalities of the clinical chemistries.

Epithelial inflammation was assessed by cytological examination of Wright-stained cells (cytospin) obtained from brushings of the nasal epithelium. The percentage of neutrophils and lymphocytes from the infected nostrils were compared to those of the control nostrils and values from four control monkeys. Wright stains of cells from nasal brushing were performed on each of the evaluation days. Neutrophils and lymphocytes accounted for less than 5% of total cells at all time points. The data are shown in Figure 41. The data indicate that administration of Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR caused no change in the distribution or number of inflammatory cells at any of the time points following virus administration,

even during a second administration of the virus. The biopsy slides obtained after the second Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR administration were reviewed by an independent pathologist, who found no evidence of inflammation or any other cytopathic effects. Figures 42 to 44 show an example from each monkey.

Figures 45A-45C shows that all three monkeys had developed antibody titers to adenovirus prior to the first infection with Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR (Zabner et al. (1993) *Human Gene Therapy* (in press)). Antibody titers measured by ELISA rose within one week after the first and second administration and peaked at day 24. No anti-adenoviral antibodies were detected by ELISA or neutralizing assay in nasal washings of any of the monkeys.

These results combined with demonstrate the ability of a recombinant adenovirus encoding CFTR (Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR) to express CFTR cDNA in the airway epithelium of monkeys. These monkeys have been followed clinically for 12 months after the first viral administration and no complications have been observed.

The results of the safety studies are encouraging. No evidence of viral replication was found; infectious viral particles were rapidly cleared. The other major consideration for safety of an adenovirus vector in the treatment of CF is the possibility of an inflammatory response. The data indicate that the virus generated an antibody response, but despite this, no evidence of a systemic or local inflammatory response was observed. The cells obtained by brushings and swabs were not altered by virus application. Since these Monkeys had been previously exposed three times to Ad2/CFTR-1, these data suggest that at least five sequential exposures of airway epithelium to adenovirus does not cause a detrimental inflammatory response.

These data indicate that Ad2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR can effectively transfer CFTR cDNA to airway epithelium and direct the expression of CFTR. They also indicate that transfer and expression is safe in primates.

Equivalents

Those skilled in the art will recognize, or be able to ascertain using no more than routine experimentation, many equivalents of the specific embodiments of the invention described herein. Such equivalents are intended to be encompassed by the following claims.

TABLE I

Mutant	CF	Exon	CFTR Domain	A	B
Wild Type				-	+
R334W	Y	7	TM6	-	+
K464M	N	9	NBD1	-	+
Δ1507	Y	10	NBD1	-	+
ΔF508	Y	10	NBD1	-	+
F508R	N	10	NBD1	-	+
S5491	Y	11	NBD1	-	+
G551D	Y	11	NBD1	-	+
N894,900Q	N	15	ECD4	+	-
K1250M	N	20	NBD2	-	+
Tth111	N	22	NB-Term	-	+

Table II

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        10          20          30          40          50          60
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GTAGTAGTTA TTATATGGAA TAAAACCTAA CTTCGGTTAT ACTATTACTC CCCCACCTCA
______INVERTED TERMINAL REPETITION-ORIGIN OF REPLICATION _______60>

        70          80          90          100         110         120
TTGTGACGTG GCGCGGGGCG TGGGAACGGG GCGGGTGACG TAGTAGTGTG GCGGAAGTGT
AACACTGCAC CGCGCCCCGC ACCCTTGCCC CGCCCACTGC ATCATCACAC CGCCTTCACA
___INVERTED TERMINAL REPETITION-ORIGIN OF R____>

        130         140         150         160         170         180
GATGTTGCAA GTGTGGCGGA ACACATGTAA GCGCCGGATG TGGTAAAAGT GACGTTTTTG
CTACAACGTT CACACCGCCT TGTGTACATT CGCGGCCTAC ACCATTTTCA CTGCAAAAAC

        190         200         210         220         230         240
GTGTGCGCCG GTGTATACGG GAAGTGACAA TTTTCGCGCG GTTTTAGGCG GATGTTGTAG
CACACGCGGC CACATATGCC CTTCACTGTT AAAAGCGCGC CAAAATCCGC CTACAACATC
        _b_____E1A ENHANCER AND VIRAL PACKAGING DOMAIN_____50_>

        250         260         270         280         290         300
TAAATTTGGG CGTAACCAAG TAATGTTTGG CCATTTTCGC GGGAAAACTG AATAAGAGGA
ATTTAAACCC GCATTGGTTC ATTACAAACC GGTAAAAGCG CCCTTTTGAC TTATTCTCCT
_______60_b_E1A ENHANCER AND VIRAL PACKAGING DOMAIN_0_b_____110_>

        310         320         330         340         350         360
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TCACTTTAGA CTTATTAAGA CACAATGAGT ATCGCGCATT ATAAACAGAT CCCGGCGCCC
______120_b_E1A ENHANCER AND VIRAL PACKAGING DOMAIN_0_b_____170_>

        370         380         390         400         410         420
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CTGAAACTGG CAAATGCACC TCTGAGCGGG TCCACAAAAA GAGTCCACAA AAGGCGCAAG
___E1A ENHANCER A_90_>
                    _c_____10_E1A PROMOTER REGION_0_c_____40_>

        430         440         450         460         470         480
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GCCCAGTTTC AACCGCAAAA TAATAATATC AGTCGACTGC GCGTCACATA AATATGGGCC
_______50_c_____60__E1A PROMOTER REGION__c_____90_c_____100_>

        490         500         510         520         530         540
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ACTCAAGGAG TTCTCCGGTG AGAACTCACG GTCGCTCATC TCAAAAGAGG AGGCTCGGCG
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___E1A PROMOTER _120>
                    __c_____E1A MRNA 5' UNTRANSLATED_c_____40__>

        550         560         570         580         590         600
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AGGCTCGATC ATTGCCGGCG GTCACACGAC GTCTATAGTT TCAGCTGCCA TGGGCTCTCT
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  ___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; COD____>
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E  L  A  S  K  K  N  P  K  L  I  N  A  L  R  R  C  F  F  W>
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_____320i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____360i_____370>

      850        860        870        880        890        900

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R  F  M  F  Y  G  I  F  L  Y  L  G  E  V  T  K  A  V  Q  P>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____380i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____420i_____430>

      910        920        930        940        950        960

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L  L  L  G  R  I  I  A  S  Y  D  P  D  N  K  E  E  R  S  I>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____440i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____480i_____490>

      970        980        990        1000       1010       1020

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A I Y L G I G L C L L F I V R T L L L H>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____500i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____540i_____550>

1030 1040 1050 1060 1070 1080

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GTCGGTAAAA ACCGGAAGTA GTGTAACCTT ACGTCTACTC TTATCGATAC AAATCAAACT
P A I F G L H H I G M Q M R I A M F S L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____560i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____600i_____610>

1090 1100 1110 1120 1130 1140

TTTATAAGAA GACTTTAAAG CTGTCAAGCC GTGTTCTAGA TAAAATAAGT ATTGGACAAC
AAATATTCTT CTGAAATTTC GACAGTTCGG CACAAGATCT ATTTTATTCA TAACCTGTTG
I Y K K T L K L S S R V L D K I S I G Q>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____620i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____660i_____670>

1150 1160 1170 1180 1190 1200

TTGTTAGTCT CCTTTCCAAC AACCTGAACA AATTTGATGA AGGACTTGCA TTGGCACATT
AACAATCAGA GGAAAGGTTG TTGGACTTGT TTAAACTACT TCCTGAACGT AACCGTGTAA
L V S L L S N N L N K F D E G L A L A H>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____680i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____720i_____730>

1210 1220 1230 1240 1250 1260

TCGTGTGGAT CGCTCCTTTG CAAGTGGCAC TCCTCATGGG GCTAATCTGG GAGTTGTTAC
AGCACACCTA GCGAGGAAAC GTTCACCGTG AGGAGTACCC CGATTAGACC CTCAACAATG
F V W I A P L Q V A L L M G L I W E L L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____740i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____780i_____790>

1270 1280 1290 1300 1310 1320

AGGCGTCTGC CTTCTGTGGA CTTGGTTTCC TGATAGTCCT TGCCCTTTTT CAGGCTGGGC
TCCGCAGACG GAAGACACCT GAACCAAAGG ACTATCAGGA ACGGGAAAAA GTCCGACCCG
Q A S A F C G L G F L I V L A L F Q A G>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____800i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____840i_____850>

1330 1340 1350 1360 1370 1380

TAGGGAGAAT GATGATGAAG TACAGAGATC AGAGAGCTGG GAAGATCAGT GAAAGACTTG
ATCCCTCTTA CTACTACTTC ATGTCTCTAG TCTCTCGACC CTTCTAGTCA CTTTCTGAAC
L G R M M M K Y R D Q R A G K I S E R L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____860i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____900i_____910>

1390 1400 1410 1420 1430 1440

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V I T S E M I E N I Q S V K A Y C W E E>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____920i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA____960i_____970>

      1450       1460       1470       1480       1490       1500

CAATGGAAAA AATGATTGAA AACTTAAGAC AAACAGAACT GAAACTGACT CGGAAGGCAG
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A M E K M I E N L R Q T E L K L T R K A>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____980i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1020i_____1030>

      1510       1520       1530       1540       1550       1560

CCTATGTGAG ATACTTCAAT AGCTCAGCCT TCTTCTTCTC AGGGTTCTTT GTGGTGTTTT
GGATACACTC TATGAAGTTA TCGAGTCGGA AGAAGAAGAG TCCCAAGAAA CACCACAAAA
A Y V R Y F N S S A F F F S G F F V V F>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____1040i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1080i_____1090>

      1570       1580       1590       1600       1610       1620

TATCTGTGCT TCCCTATGCA CTAATCAAAG GAATCATCCT CCGGAAAATA TTCTCCACCA
ATAGACACGA AGGGATACGT GATTAGTTTC CTTAGTAGGA GGCCTTTTAT AAGTGGTGGT
L S V L P Y A L I K G I I L R K I F T T>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____1100i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1140i_____1150>

      1630       1640       1650       1660       1670       1680

TCTCATTCTG CATTGTTCTG CGCATGGCGG TCACTCGGCA ATTTCCCTGG GCTGTACAAA
AGAGTAAGAC GTAACAAGAC GCGTACCGCC AGTGAGCCGT TAAAGGGACC CGACATGTTT
I S F C I V L R M A V T R Q F P W A V Q>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____1160i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1200i_____1210>

      1690       1700       1710       1720       1730       1740

CATGGTATGA CTCTCTTGGA GCAATAAACA AAATACAGGA TTTCTTACAA AAGCAAGAAT
GTACCATACT GAGAGAACCT CGTTATTTGT TTTATGTCCT AAAGAATGTT TTCGTTCTTA
T W Y D S L G A I N K I Q D F L Q K Q E>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____1220i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1260i_____127[illegible]

      1750       1760       1770       1780       1790       1800

ATAAGACATT GGAATATAAC TTAACGACTA CAGAAGTAGT GATGGAGAAT GTAACAGCCT
TATTCTGTAA CCTTATATTG AATTGCTGAT GTCTTCATCA CTACCTCTTA CATTGTCGGA
Y K T L E Y N L T T T E V V M E N V T A>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____1280i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1320i_____133[illegible]

      1810       1820       1830       1840       1850       1861
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TCTGGGAGGA GGGATTTGGG GAATTATTTG AGAAAGCAAA ACAAAACAAT AACAATAGAA
AGACCCTCCT CCCTAAACCC CTTAATAAAC TCTTTCGTTT TGTTTTGTTA TTGTTATCTT
F W E E G F G E L F E K A K Q N N N N R>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1340i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1380i_____1390>

1870 1880 1890 1900 1910 1920

AAACTTCTAA TGGTGATGAC AGCCTCTTCT TCAGTAATTT CTCACTTCTT GGTACTCCTG
TTTGAAGATT ACCACTACTG TCGGAGAAGA AGTCATTAAA GAGTGAAGAA CCATGAGGAC
K T S N G D D S L F F S N F S L L G T P>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1400i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1440i_____1450>

1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980

TCCTGAAAGA TATTAATTTC AAGATAGAAA GAGGACAGTT GTTGGCGGTT GCTGGATCCA
AGGACTTTCT ATAATTAAAG TTCTATCTTT CTCCTGTCAA CAACCGCCAA CGACCTAGGT
V L K D I N F K I E R G Q L L A V A G S>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1460i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1500i_____1510>

1990 2000 2010 2020 2030 2040

CTGGAGCAGG CAAGACTTCA CTTCTAATGA TGATTATGGG AGAACTGGAG CCTTCAGAGG
GACCTCGTCC GTTCTGAAGT GAAGATTACT ACTAATACCC TCTTGACCTC GGAAGTCTCC
T G A G K T S L L M M I M G E L E P S E>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1520i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1560i_____1570>

2050 2060 2070 2080 2090 2100

GTAAAATTAA GCACAGTGGA AGAATTTCAT TCTGTTCTCA GTTTTCCTGG ATTATGCCTG
CATTTTAATT CGTGTCACCT TCTTAAAGTA AGACAAGAGT CAAAAGGACC TAATACGGAC
G K I K H S G R I S F C S Q F S W I M P>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1580i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1620i_____1630>

2110 2120 2130 2140 2150 2160

GCACCATTAA AGAAAATATC ATCTTTGGTG TTTCCTATGA TGAATATAGA TACAGAAGCG
CGTGGTAATT TCTTTTATAG TAGAAACCAC AAAGGATACT ACTTATATCT ATGTCTTCGC
G T I K E N I I F G V S Y D E Y R Y R S>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1640i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1680i_____1690>

2170 2180 2190 2200 2210 2220

TCATCAAAGC ATGCCAACTA GAAGAGGACA TCTCCAAGTT TGCAGAGAAA GACAATATAG
AGTAGTTTCG TACGGTTGAT CTTCTCCTGT AGAGGTTCAA ACGTCTCTTT CTGTTATATC
V I K A C Q L E E D I S K F A E K D N I>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1700i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1740i_____1750>

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      2230        2240        2250        2260        2270        2280

TTCTTGGAGA AGGTGGAATC ACACTGAGTG GAGGTCAACG AGCAAGAATT TCTTTAGCAA
AAGAACCTCT TCCACCTTAG TGTGACTCAC CTCCAGTTGC TCGTTCTTAA AGAAATCGTT
V  L  G  E   G  G  I   T  L  S   G  G  Q  R   A  R  I   S  L  A>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1760i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1800i_____1810>

      2290        2300        2310        2320        2330        2340

GAGCAGTATA CAAAGATGCT GATTTGTATT TATTAGACTC TCCTTTTGGA TACCTAGATG
CTCGTCATAT GTTTCTACGA CTAAACATAA ATAATCTGAG AGGAAAACCT ATGGATCTAC
R  A  V  Y   K  D  A   D  L  Y   L  L  D  S   P  F  G   Y  L  D>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1820i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1860i_____1870>

      2350        2360        2370        2380        2390        2400

TTTTAACAGA AAAAGAAATA TTTGAAAGCT GTGTCTGTAA ACTGATGGCT AACAAAACTA
AAAATTGTCT TTTTCTTTAT AAACTTTCGA CACAGACATT TGACTACCGA TTGTTTTGAT
V  L  T  E   K  E  I   F  E  S   C  V  C  K   L  M  A   N  K  T>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1880i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1920i_____1930>

      2410        2420        2430        2440        2450        2460

GGATTTTGGT CACTTCTAAA ATGGAACATT TAAAGAAAGC TGACAAAATA TTAATTTTGC
CCTAAAACCA GTGAAGATTT TACCTTGTAA ATTTCTTTCG ACTGTTTTAT AATTAAAACG
R  I  L  V   T  S  K   M  E  H   L  K  K  A   D  K  I   L  I  L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____1940i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___1980i_____1990>

      2470        2480        2490        2500        2510        2520

ATGAAGGTAG CAGCTATTTT TATGGGACAT TTTCAGAACT CCAAAATCTA CAGCCAGACT
TACTTCCATC GTCGATAAAA ATACCCTGTA AAAGTCTTGA GGTTTTAGAT GTCGGTCTGA
H  E  G  S   S  Y  F   Y  G  T   F  S  E  L   Q  N  L   Q  P  D>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2000i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2040i_____2050>

      2530        2540        2550        2560        2570        2580

TTAGCTCAAA ACTCATGGGA TGTGATTCTT TCGACCAATT TAGTGCAGAA AGAAGAAATT
AATCGAGTTT TGAGTACCCT ACACTAAGAA AGCTGGTTAA ATCACGTCTT TCTTCTTTAA
F  S  S  K   L  M  G   C  D  S   F  D  Q  F   S  A  E   R  R  N>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2060i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2100i_____2110>

      2590        2600        2610        2620        2630        2640

CAATCCTAAC TGAGACCTTA CACCGTTTCT CATTAGAAGG AGATGCTCCT GTCTCCTGGA
GTTAGGATTG ACTCTGGAAT GTGGCAAAGA GTAATCTTCC TCTACGAGGA CAGAGGACCT
S  I  L  T   E  T  L   H  R  F   S  L  E  G   D  A  P   V  S  W>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2120i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2160i_____2170>
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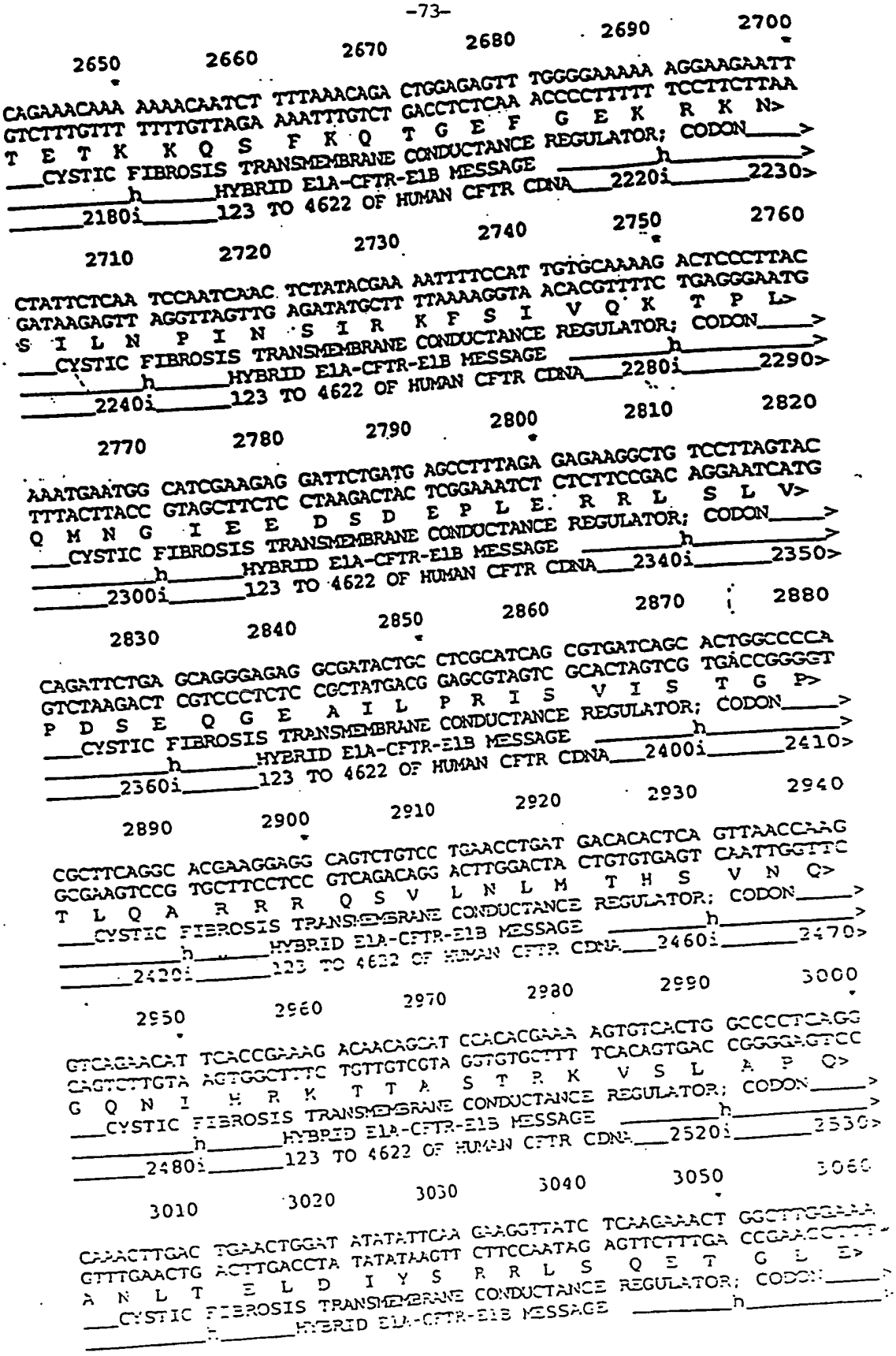
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T E T K K Q S F K Q T G E F G E K R K N>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____
_____2180i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2220i_____2230>
2710 2720 2730 2740 2750 2760
CTATTCTCAA TCCAATCAAC TCTATACGAA AATTTTCCAT TGTGCAAAAG ACTCCCTTAC
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S I L N P I N S I R K F S I V Q K T P L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____
_____2240i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2280i_____2290>
2770 2780 2790 2800 2810 2820
AAATGAATGG CATCGAAGAG GATTCTGATG AGCCTTTAGA GAGAAGGCTG TCCTTAGTAC
TTTACTTACC GTAGCTTCTC CTAAGACTAC TCGGAAATCT CTCTTCCGAC AGGAATCATG
Q M N G I E E D S D E P L E R R L S L V>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____
_____2300i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2340i_____2350>
2830 2840 2850 2860 2870 2880
CAGATTCTGA GCAGGGAGAG GCGATACTGC CTCGCATCAG CGTGATCAGC ACTGGCCCCA
GTCTAAGACT CGTCCCTCTC CGCTATGACG GAGCGTAGTC GCACTAGTCG TGACCGGGGT
P D S E Q G E A I L P R I S V I S T G P>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____
_____2360i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2400i_____2410>
2890 2900 2910 2920 2930 2940
CGCTTCAGGC ACGAAGGAGG CAGTCTGTCC TGAACCTGAT GACACACTCA GTTAACCAAG
GCGAAGTCCG TGCTTCCTCC GTCAGACAGG ACTTGGACTA CTGTGTGAGT CAATTGGTTC
T L Q A R R R Q S V L N L M T H S V N Q>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____
_____2420i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2460i_____2470>
2950 2960 2970 2980 2990 3000
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G Q N I H R K T T A S T R K V S L A P Q>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____
_____2480i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2520i_____2530>
3010 3020 3030 3040 3050 3060
CAAACTTGAC TGAACTGGAT ATATATTCAA GAAGTTATC TCAAGAAACT GGCTTTGAAA
GTTTGAACTG ACTTGACCTA TATATAAGTT CTTCCAATAG AGTTCTTTGA CCGAACCTTT
A N L T E L D I Y S R R L S Q E T G L E>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____

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_____2540i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2580i_____2590>

      3070       3080       3090       3100       3110       3120

TAAGTGAAGA AATTAACGAA GAAGACTTAA AGGAGTGCCT TTTTGATGAT ATGGAGAGCA
ATTCACTTCT TTAATTGCTT CTTCTGAATT TCCTCACGGA AAAACTACTA TACCTCTCGT
I  S  E  E  I  N  E  E  D  L  K  E  C  L  F  D  D  M  E  S>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2600i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2640i_____2650>

      3130       3140       3150       3160       3170       3180

TACCAGCAGT GACTACATGG AACACATACC TTCGATATAT TACTGTCCAC AAGAGCTTAA
ATGGTCGTCA CTGATGTACC TTGTGTATGG AAGCTATATA ATGACAGGTG TTCTCGAATT
I  P  A  V  T  T  W  N  T  Y  L  R  Y  I  T  V  H  K  S  L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2660i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2700i_____2710>

      3190       3200       3210       3220       3230       3240

TTTTTGTGCT AATTTGGTGC TTAGTAATTT TTCTGGCAGA GGTGGCTGCT TCTTTGGTTG
AAAAACACGA TTAAACCACG AATCATTAAA AAGACCGTCT CCACCGACGA AGAAACCAAC
I  F  V  L  I  W  C  L  V  I  F  L  A  E  V  A  A  S  L  V>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2720i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2760i_____2770>

      3250       3260       3270       3280       3290       3300

TGCTGTGGCT CCTTGGAAAC ACTCCTCTTC AAGACAAAGG GAATAGTACT CATAGTAGAA
ACGACACCGA GGAACCTTTG TGAGGAGAAG TTCTGTTTCC CTTATCATGA GTATCATCTT
V  L  W  L  L  G  N  T  P  L  Q  D  K  G  N  S  T  H  S  R>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2780i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2820i_____2830>

      3310       3320       3330       3340       3350       3360

ATAACAGCTA TGCAGTGATT ATCACCAGCA CCAGTTCGTA TTATGTGTTT TACATTTACG
TATTGTCGAT ACGTCACTAA TAGTGGTCGT GGTCAAGCAT AATACACAAA ATGTAAATGC
N  N  S  Y  A  V  I  I  T  S  T  S  S  Y  Y  V  F  Y  I  Y>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2840i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2880i_____2890>

      3370       3380       3390       3400       3410       3420

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V  G  V  A  D  T  L  L  A  M  G  F  F  R  G  L  P  L  V  H>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2900i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___2940i_____2950>

      3430       3440       3450       3460       3470       3480

CTCTAATCAC AGTGTCGAAA ATTTTACACC ACAAAATGTT ACATTCTGTT CTTCAAGCAC
GAGATTAGTG TCACAGCTTT TAAAATGTGG TGTTTTACAA TGTAAGACAA GAAGTTCGTG
T  L  I  T  V  S  K  I  L  H  H  K  M  L  H  S  V  L  Q  A>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
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_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____2960i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3000i_____3010>

      3490        3500        3510        3520        3530        3540

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P  M  S  T  L  N  T  L  K  A  G  G  I  L  N  R  F  S  K  D>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3020i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3060i_____3070>

      3550        3560        3570        3580        3590        3600

TAGCAATTTT GGATGACCTT CTGCCTCTTA CCATATTTGA CTTCATCCAG TTGTTATTAA
ATCGTTAAAA CCTACTGGAA GACGGAGAAT GGTATAAACT GAAGTAGGTC AACAATAATT
I  A  I  L  D  D  L  L  P  L  T  I  F  D  F  I  Q  L  L  L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3080i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3120i_____3130>

      3610        3620        3630        3640        3650        3660

TTGTGATTGG AGCTATAGCA GTTGTCGCAG TTTTACAACC CTACATCTTT GTTGCAACAG
AACACTAACC TCGATATCGT CAACAGCGTC AAAATGTTGG GATGTAGAAA CAACGTTGTC
I  V  I  G  A  I  A  V  V  A  V  L  Q  P  Y  I  F  V  A  T>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3140i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3180i_____3190>

      3670        3680        3690        3700        3710        3720

TGCCAGTGAT AGTGGCTTTT ATTATGTTGA GAGCATATTT CCTCCAAACC TCACAGCAAC
ACGGTCACTA TCACCGAAAA TAATACAACT CTCGTATAAA GGAGGTTTGG AGTGTCGTTG
V  P  V  I  V  A  F  I  M  L  R  A  Y  F  L  Q  T  S  Q  Q>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3200i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3240i_____3250>

      3730        3740        3750        3760        3770        3780

TCAAACAACT GGAATCTGAA GGCAGGAGTC CAATTTTCAC TCATCTTGTT ACAAGCTTAA
AGTTTGTTGA CCTTAGACTT CCGTCCTCAG GTTAAAAGTG AGTAGAACAA TGTTCGAATT
L  K  Q  L  E  S  E  G  R  S  P  I  F  T  H  L  V  T  S  L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3260i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3300i_____3310>

      3790        3800        3810        3820        3830        3840

AAGGACTATG GACACTTCGT GCCTTCGGAC GGCAGCCTTA CTTTGAAACT CTGTTCCACA
TTCCTGATAC CTGTGAAGCA CGGAAGCCTG CCGTCGGAAT GAAACTTTGA GACAAGGTGT
K  G  L  W  T  L  R  A  F  G  R  Q  P  Y  F  E  T  L  F  H>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3320i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3360i_____3370>

      3850        3860        3870        3880        3890        3900

AAGCTCTGAA TTTACATACT GCCAACTGGT TCTTGTACCT GTCAACACTG CGCTGGTTCC
TTCGAGACTT AAATGTATGA CGGTTGACCA AGAACATGGA CAGTTGTGAC GCGACCAAGG
K  A  L  N  L  H  T  A  N  W  F  L  Y  L  S  T  L  R  W  F>
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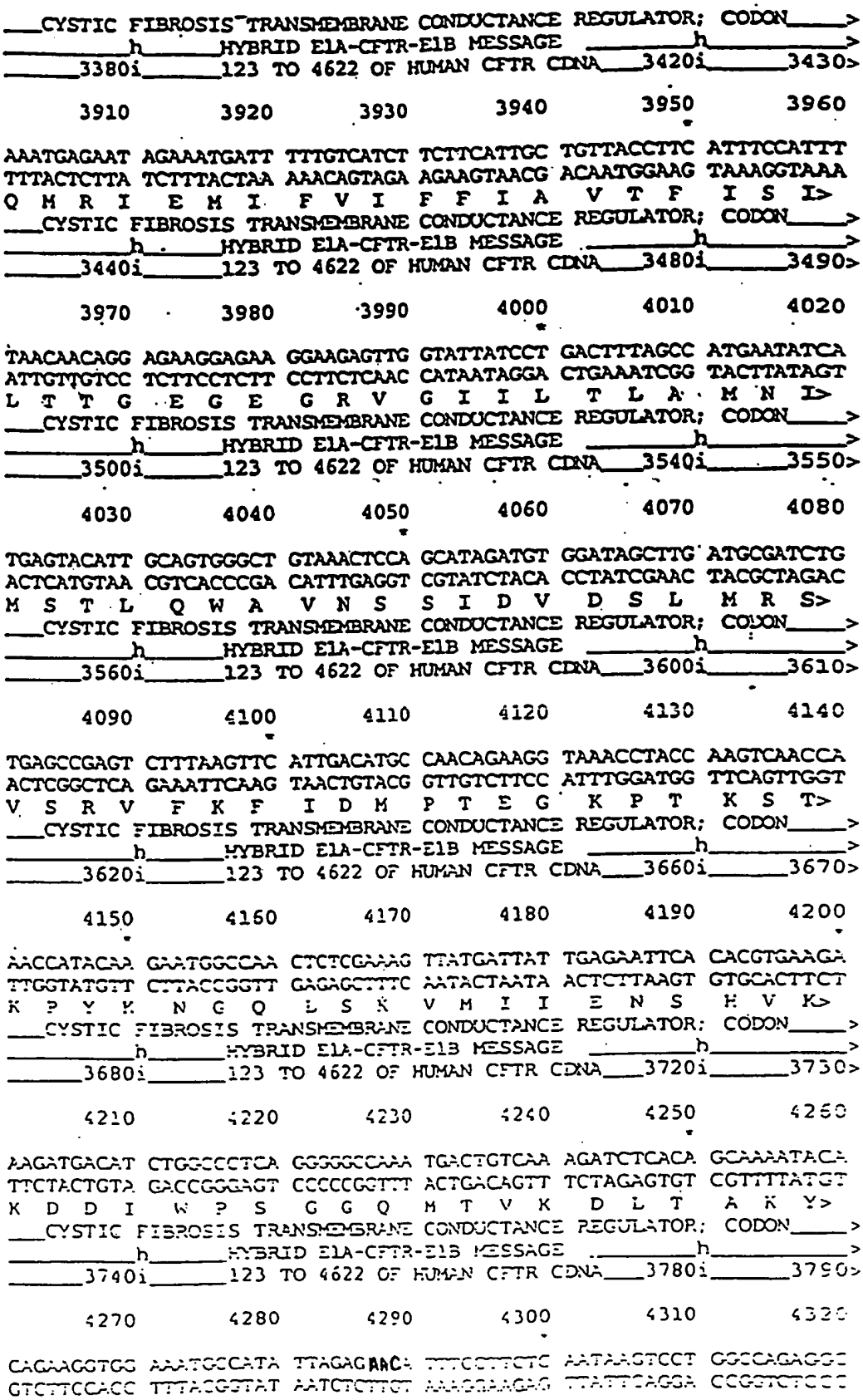
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_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3380i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3420i_____3430>
3910 3920 3930 3940 3950 3960
AAATGAGAAT AGAAATGATT TTTGTCATCT TCTTCATTGC TGTTACCTTC ATTTCCATTT
TTTACTCTTA TCTTTACTAA AAACAGTAGA AGAAGTAACG ACAATGGAAG TAAAGGTAAA
Q M R I E M I F V I F F I A V T F I S I>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3440i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3480i_____3490>
3970 3980 3990 4000 4010 4020
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ATTGTTGTCC TCTTCCTCTT CCTTCTCAAC CATAATAGGA CTGAAATCGG TACTTATAGT
L T T G E G E G R V G I I L T L A M N I>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3500i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3540i_____3550>
4030 4040 4050 4060 4070 4080
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ACTCATGTAA CGTCACCCGA CATTTGAGGT CGTATCTACA CCTATCGAAC TACGCTAGAC
M S T L Q W A V N S S I D V D S L M R S>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3560i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3600i_____3610>
4090 4100 4110 4120 4130 4140
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ACTCGGCTCA GAAATTCAAG TAACTGTACG GTTGTCTTCC ATTTGGATGG TTCAGTTGGT
V S R V F K F I D M P T E G K P T K S T>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3620i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3660i_____3670>
4150 4160 4170 4180 4190 4200
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TTGGTATGTT CTTACCGGTT GAGAGCTTTC AATACTAATA ACTCTTAAGT GTGCACTTCT
K P Y K N G Q L S K V M I I E N S H V K>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3680i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3720i_____3730>
4210 4220 4230 4240 4250 4260
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TTCTACTGTA GACCGGGAGT CCCCCGGTTT ACTGACAGTT TCTAGAGTGT CGTTTTATGT
K D D I W P S G G Q M T V K D L T A K Y>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____3740i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3780i_____3790>
4270 4280 4290 4300 4310 4320
CAGAAGGTGG AAATGCCATA TTAGAGAACA TTTCTTTCTC AATAAGTCCT GGCCAGAGGC
GTCTTCCACC TTTACGGTAT AATCTCTTGT AAAGAAAGAG TTATTCAGGA CCGGTCTCCG

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T  E  G  G  N  A  I  L  E  N  I  S  F  S  I  S  P  G  Q  R>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____3800i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3840i_____3850>

      4330       4340       4350       4360       4370       4380

TGGGCCTCTT GGGAAGAACT GGATCAGGGA AGAGTACTTT GTTATCAGCT TTTTTGAGAC
ACCCGGAGAA CCCTTCTTGA CCTAGTCCCT TCTCATGAAA CAATAGTCGA AAAAACTCTG
V  G  L  L  G  R  T  G  S  G  K  S  T  L  L  S  A  F  L  R>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____3860i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3900i_____3910>

      4390       4400       4410       4420       4430       4440

TACTGAACAC TGAAGGAGAA ATCCAGATCG ATGGTGTGTC TTGGGATTCA ATAACTTTGC
ATGACTTGTG ACTTCCTCTT TAGGTCTAGC TACCACACAG AACCCTAAGT TATTGAAACG
L  L  N  T  E  G  E  I  Q  I  D  G  V  S  W  D  S  I  T  L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____3920i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___3960i_____3970>

      4450       4460       4470       4480       4490       4500

AACAGTGGAG GAAAGCCTTT GGAGTGATAC CACAGAAAGT ATTTATTTTT TCTGGAACAT
TTGTCACCTC CTTTCGGAAA CCTCACTATG GTGTCTTTCA TAAATAAAAA AGACCTTGTA
Q  Q  W  R  K  A  F  G  V  I  P  Q  K  V  F  I  F  S  G  T>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____3980i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4020i_____4030>

      4510       4520       4530       4540       4550       4560

TTAGAAAAAA CTTGGATCCC TATGAACAGT GGAGTGATCA AGAAATATGG AAAGTTGCAG
AATCTTTTTT GAACCTAGGG ATACTTGTCA CCTCACTAGT TCTTTATACC TTTCAACGTC
F  R  K  N  L  D  P  Y  E  Q  W  S  D  Q  E  I  W  K  V  A>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____4040i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4080i_____4090>

      4570       4580       4590       4600       4610       4620

ATGAGGTTGG GCTCAGATCT GTGATAGAAC AGTTTCCTGG GAAGCTTGAC TTTGTCCTTG
TACTCCAACC CGAGTCTAGA CACTATCTTG TCAAAGGACC CTTCGAACTG AAACAGGAAC
D  E  V  G  L  R  S  V  I  E  Q  F  P  G  K  L  D  F  V  L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____4100i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4140i_____4150>

      4630       4640       4650       4660       4670       4680

TGGATGGGGG CTGTGTCCTA AGCCATGGCC ACAAGCAGTT GATGTGCTTG GCTAGATCTG
ACCTACCCCC GACACAGGAT TCGGTACCGG TGTTCGTCAA CTACACGAAC CGATCTAGAC
V  D  G  G  C  V  L  S  H  G  H  K  Q  L  M  C  L  A  R  S>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_________h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _________h_________>
_____4160i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4200i_____4210>

      4690       4700       4710       4720       4730       4740

TTCTCAGTAA GGCGAAGATC TTGCTGCTTG ATGAATTCAG TGCTCATTTG GATCCAGTAA
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AAGAGTCATT CCGCTTCTAG AACGACGAAC TACTTGGGTC ACGAGTAAAC CTAGGTCATT
V L S K A K I L L L D E P S A H L D P V>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____4220i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4260i_____4270>

4750 4760 4770 4780 4790 4800

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GTATGGTTTA TTAATCTTCT TGAGATTTTG TTCGTAAACG ACTAACGTGT CATTAAGAGA
T Y Q I I R R T L K Q A F A D C T V I L>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____4280i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4320i_____4330>

4810 4820 4830 4840 4850 4860

GTGAACACAG GATAGAAGCA ATGCTGGAAT GCCAACAATT TTTGGTCATA GAAGAGAACA
CACTTGTGTC CTATCTTCGT TACGACCTTA CGGTTGTTAA AAACCAGTAT CTTCTCTTGT
C E H R I E A M L E C Q Q F L V I E E N>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____4340i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4380i_____4390>

4870 4880 4890 4900 4910 4920

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K V R Q Y D S I Q K L L N E R S L F R Q>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____4400i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4440i_____4450>

4930 4940 4950 4960 4970 4980

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GGTAGTCGGG GAGGCTGTCC CACTTCGAGA AAGGGGTGGC CTTGAGTTCG TTCACGTTCA
A I S P S D R V K L F P H R N S S K C K>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____4460i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4500i_____4510>

4990 5000 5010 5020 5030 5040

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GATTCGGGGT CTAACGACGA GACTTTCTCC TCTGTCTTCT TCTCCACGTT CTATGTTCCG
S K P Q I A A L K E E T E E E V Q D T R>
___CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRANSMEMBRANE CONDUCTANCE REGULATOR; CODON____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____4520i_____123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA___4560i_____4570>

5050 5060 5070 5080 5090 5100

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L ">
_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
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_____4580i__123 TO 4622 OF HUMAN CFTR CDNA_____4620i__>

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      5110        5120        5130        5140        5150        5160

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_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____10__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES____50__g_____60__>
     _____k___10_____k____E1B 3' INTRON _k___40_____k___50_____>

      5170        5180        5190        5200        5210        5220

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AGAGTACATC AAAACATAGA CAAAACGTCG TCGGCGGCGG TACTCGCGGT TGAGCAAACT
                                          M  S  A  N  S  F  D>
                                      ___IX PROTEIN (HE_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
          _____l_____l____IX MRNA_____l_____>
_____70__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES___110__g_____120__>
___60__E1B 3' INTRON __80____>

      5230        5240        5250        5260        5270        5280

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ACCTTCGTAA CACTCGAGTA TAAACTGTTG CGCGTACGGG GGTACCCGGC CCCACGCAGT
  G  S  I  V  S  S  Y  L  T  T  R  M  P  P  W  A  G  V  R  Q>
_____IX PROTEIN (HEXON-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN); CODON_START=1_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____l_____l_____IX MRNA_____l_____l_____>
_____130__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES___170__g_____180__>

      5290        5300        5310        5320        5330        5340

GAATGTGATG GGCTCCAGCA TTGATGGTCG CCCCGTCCTG CCCGCAAACT CTACTACCTT
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  N  V  M  G  S  S  I  D  G  R  P  V  L  P  A  N  S  T  T  L>
_____IX PROTEIN (HEXON-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN); CODON_START=1_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____l_____l_____IX MRNA_____l_____l_____>
_____190__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES___230__g_____240__>

      5350        5360        5370        5380        5390        5400

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CTGGATGCTC TGGCACAGAC CTTGCGGCAA CCTCTGACGT CGGAGGCGGC GGCGAAGTCG
  T  Y  E  T  V  S  G  T  P  L  E  T  A  A  S  A  A  A  S  A>
_____IX PROTEIN (HEXON-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN); CODON_START=1_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____l_____l_____IX MRNA_____l_____l_____>
_____250__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES___290__g_____300__>

      5410        5420        5430        5440        5450        5460

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GCGACGTCGG TGGCGGGCGC CCTAACACTG ACTGAAACGA AAGGACTCGG GCGAACGTTC
  A  A  A  T  A  R  G  I  V  T  D  F  A  F  L  S  P  L  A  S>
_____IX PROTEIN (HEXON-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN); CODON_START=1_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____l_____l_____IX MRNA_____l_____l_____>
_____310__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES___350__g_____360__>

      5470        5480        5490        5500        5510        5520

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GTCACGTCGA AGGGCAAGTA GGCGGGCGCT ACTGTTCAAC TGCCGAGAAA ACCGTGTTAA
S A A S R S S A R D D K L T A L L A Q L>
_____IX PROTEIN (HEXON-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN); CODON_START=1_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____l_____l_____IX MRNA_____l_____l_____>
_____370__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES___410__g_____420__>

5530 5540 5550 5560 5570 5580

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D S L T R E L N V V S Q Q L L D L R Q Q>
_____IX PROTEIN (HEXON-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN); CODON_START=1_____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____l_____l_____IX MRNA_____l_____l_____>
_____430__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES___470__g_____480__>

5590 5600 5610 5620 5630

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V S A L K A S S P P N A V *>
___IX PROTEIN (HEXON-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN); C____>
_____h_____HYBRID E1A-CFTR-E1B MESSAGE _____h_____>
_____l_____l_____IX MRNA_____l_____l_____>
_____490__g_____E1B 3' UNTRANSLATED SEQUENCES_____530__g_____>

Table III

Nucleotide Sequence Analysis of Ad2-ΦRF6/PGK-CFTR

LOCUS AD2-ORF6/P 36335 BP DS-DNA
DEFINITION -
ACCESSION -
KEYWORDS -
SOURCE -

FEATURES	From	To/Span		Description
frag	12915	36335		10676 to 34096 of Ad2-E4/ORF6
frag	35069	35973		33178 to 34082 of Ad2 seq
pre-msg	> 35973	< 35069	(C)	E4 mRNA [Nucleic Acids Res. 9, 1675-1689 (1981)], [J. Mol. Biol. 149, 189-221 (1981)], [Nucleic Acids Res. 12, 3503-3519 (1984)], [Unpublished (1984)] [Split]
IVS	35794	35084	(C)	E4 mRNA intron D7 [J. Virol. 50, 106-117 (1984)], [Nucleic Acids Res. 12, 3503-3519 (1984)], [Unpublished (1984)]
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frag	< 12915	35054		1 to 32815 of Ad2 seq [Split]
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signal	24657	24662		major late mRNA L3 polyadenyation signal (putative); 62.38%
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pre-msg	28195	24659	(C)	E2a late mRNA (alt.) [Nucleic Acids Res. 12, 3503-3519 (1984)],[Unpublished (1984)]
pre-msg	29330	24659	(C)	E2a early mRNA (alt.) [J. Mol. Biol. 149,

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					189-221 (1981)]
pre-msg	29331		24659	(C)	E2a early mRNA (alt.) [J. Mol. Biol. 149, 189-221 (1981)]
signal	24683		24678	(C)	E2a mRNA polyadenyation signal on comp strand (putative); 62.43%
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pept	28993	>	29366	1	33K protein (virion morphogenesis)
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IVS	30220		30614		major late mRNA intron ('x' leader) [Gene 22, 157-165 (1983)],[J. Biol. Chem. 259, 13980-13985 (1984)]
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signal	< 12915		32676		major late mRNA intron ('y' leader) [J. Mol. Biol. 135, 413-433 (1979)],[J. Virol. 38, 469-482 (1981)],[EMBO J. 1, 249-254 (1982)],[Gene 22, 157-165 (1983)] [Split]
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modified	1814	1814		936 T to C mutation to inactivate cryptic bacterial promoter. Silent amino acid change
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(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 133..4572

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Ile Gly Leu Cys Leu Leu Phe Ile Val Arg Thr Leu Leu Leu His Pro
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Pro Leu Gln Val Ala Leu Leu Met Gly Leu Ile Trp Glu Leu Leu Gln
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    270                 275                 280

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Leu Arg Lys Ile Phe Thr Thr Ile Ser Phe Cys Ile Val Leu Arg Met
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CTT GGA GCA ATA AAC AAA ATA CAG GAT TTC TTA CAA AAG CAA GAA TAT     1272
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Asn Phe Lys Ile Glu Arg Gly Gln Leu Leu Ala Val Ala Gly Ser Thr
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Gly Val Ser Tyr Asp Glu Tyr Arg Tyr Arg Ser Val Ile Lys Ala Cys
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Leu Gly Glu Gly Gly Ile Thr Leu Ser Gly Gly Gln Arg Ala Arg Ile
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Ser Pro Phe Gly Tyr Leu Asp Val Leu Thr Glu Lys Glu Ile Phe Glu
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Gln Pro Asp Phe Ser Ser Lys Leu Met Gly Cys Asp Ser Phe Asp Gln
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Phe Ser Ala Glu Arg Arg Asn Ser Ile Leu Thr Glu Thr Leu His Arg
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Phe Ser Leu Glu Gly Asp Ala Pro Val Ser Trp Thr Glu Thr Lys Lys
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Gln Ser Phe Lys Gln Thr Gly Glu Phe Gly Glu Lys Arg Lys Asn Ser
685                 690                 695                 700

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Thr Pro Leu Gln Met Asn Gly Ile Glu Glu Asp Ser Asp Glu Pro Leu
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Glu Arg Arg Leu Ser Leu Val Pro Asp Ser Glu Gln Gly Glu Ala Ile
        735                 740                 745

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Leu Pro Arg Ile Ser Val Ile Ser Thr Gly Pro Thr Leu Gln Ala Arg
    750                 755                 760

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Phe Val Leu Ile Trp Cys Leu Val Ile Phe Leu Ala Glu Val Ala Ala
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Ser Leu Val Val Leu Trp Leu Leu Gly Asn Thr Pro Leu Gln Asp Lys
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 1480 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:2:

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            260                 265                 270

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Claims

1. An adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising the genome of an adenovirus 2 serotype in which the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication, have been deleted and replaced by genetic material of interest.

2. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 1, wherein the genetic material of interest is DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator

3. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 1 further comprising PGK promoter operably linked to the genetic material of interest.

4. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 2 having substantially the same nucleotide sequence as shown in Table II (SEQ ID NO:3).

5. An adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising adenovirus inverted terminal repeat nucleotide sequences and the minimal nucleotide sequences necessary for efficient replication and packaging and genetic material of interest.

6. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 5 having the adenovirus 2 sequences shown in Figure 17.

7. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 5 further comprising PGK promoter operably linked to the genetic material of interest.

8. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 5 in which the genetic material of interest is selected from the group consisting of DNA encoding: cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator, Factor VIII, and Factor IX.

9. An adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising an adenovirus genome which has been deleted for all E4 open reading frames, except open reading frame 6, and additionally comprising genetic material of interest.

10. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 9 further comprising PGK promoter operably linked to the genetic material of interest.

11. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 9 in which the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication, have been deleted.

12. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 9 in which the E3 region has been deleted.

13. An adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising an adenovirus genome which has been deleted for all E4 open reading frames, except open reading frame 3, and additionally comprising genetic material of interest.

14. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 13 in which the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication, have been deleted.

15. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 13 further comprising PGK promoter operably linked to the genetic material of interest.

16. The adenovirus-based gene therapy vector of claim 13 in which the E3 region has been deleted.

17. A method for treating or preventing cystic fibrosis in a patient comprising administering to the pulmonary airways of the patient, a gene therapy vector comprising DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator.

18. The method of claim 17 wherein the gene therapy vector is an adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising the genome of an adenovirus 2 serotype in which the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication, have been deleted and replaced by DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator.

19. The method of claim 17 wherein the gene therapy vector further comprises PGK promoter operably linked to the DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator.

20. The method of claim 17 wherein the gene therapy vector is an adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising adenovirus inverted terminal repeats and the minimal sequences necessary for efficient replication and packaging and DNA encoding cystic fibrosis tranmembrane conductance regulator.

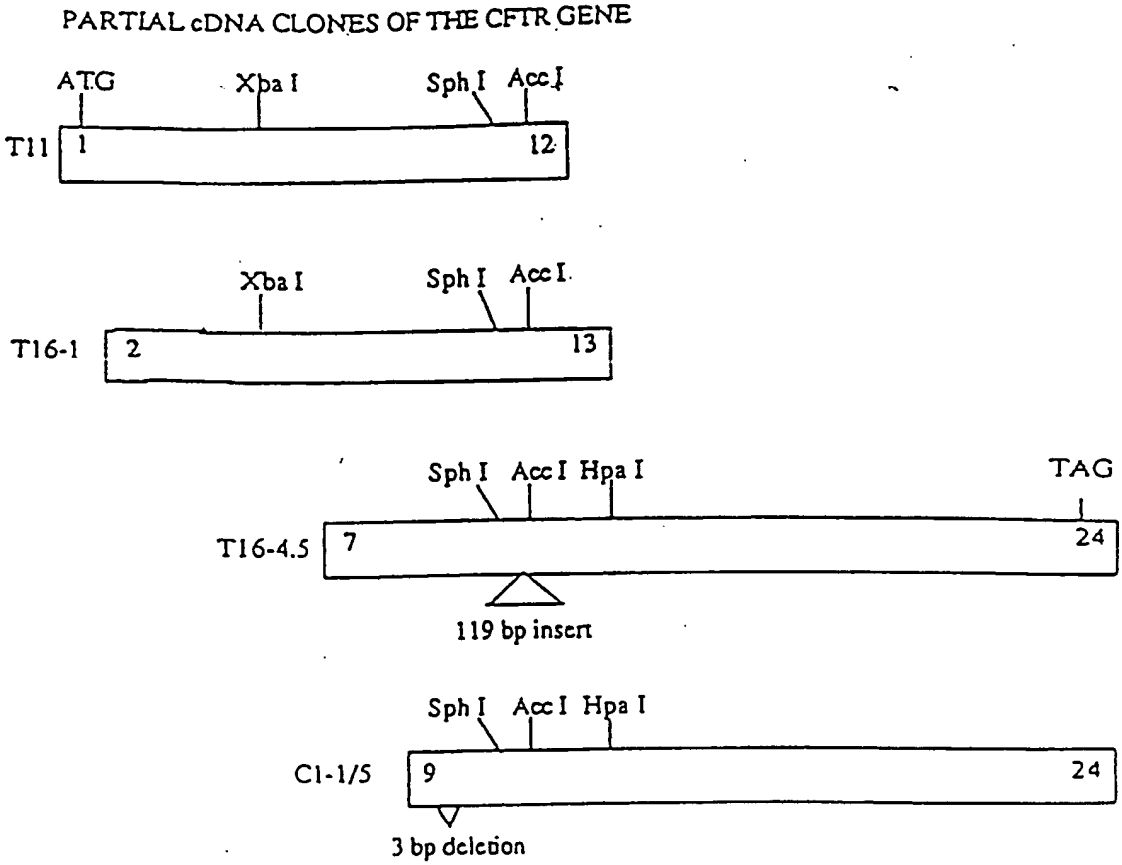
21. The method of claim 20 wherein the gene therapy vector further comprises PGK promoter operably linked to the DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator.

22. The method of claim 17 wherein the gene therapy vector is an adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising an adenovirus genome which has been deleted for all E4 open reading frames, except open reading frame 6, and additionally comprising DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator.

23. The method of claim 22 wherein the gene therapy vector further comprises PGK promoter operably linked to the DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator.

24. The method of claim 17 wherein the gene therapy vector is an adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprising an adenovirus genome which has been deleted for all E4 open reading frames, except open reading frame 6, and has been deleted for the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication, and additionally comprising DNA encoding cystic fibrosis tranmembrane conductance regulator.

25. The method of claim 24 wherein the gene therapy vector further comprises PGK promoter operably linked to the DNA encoding cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator.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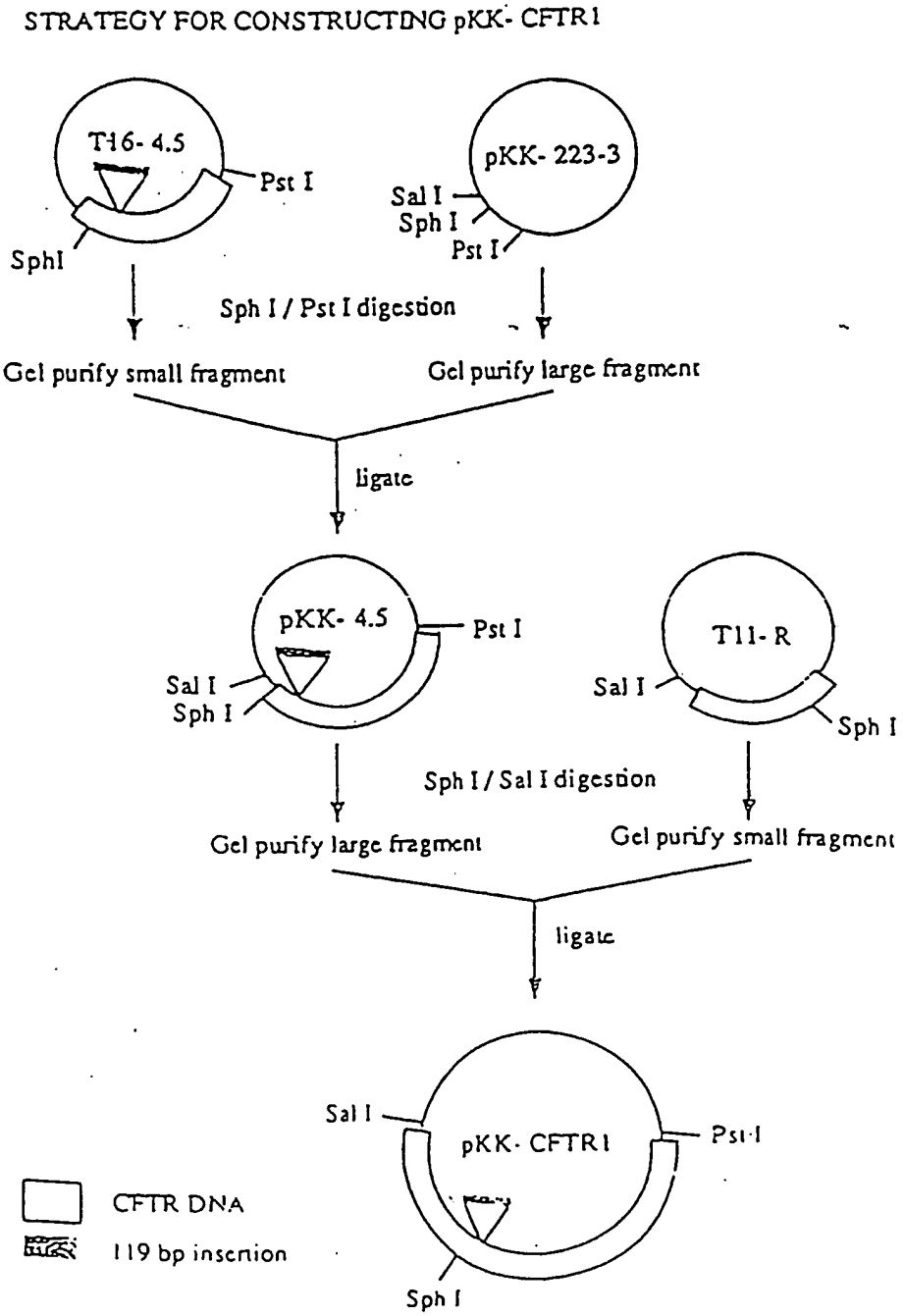
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Figure 2

CONSTRUCTION OF THE pKK- CFTR2 PLASMID

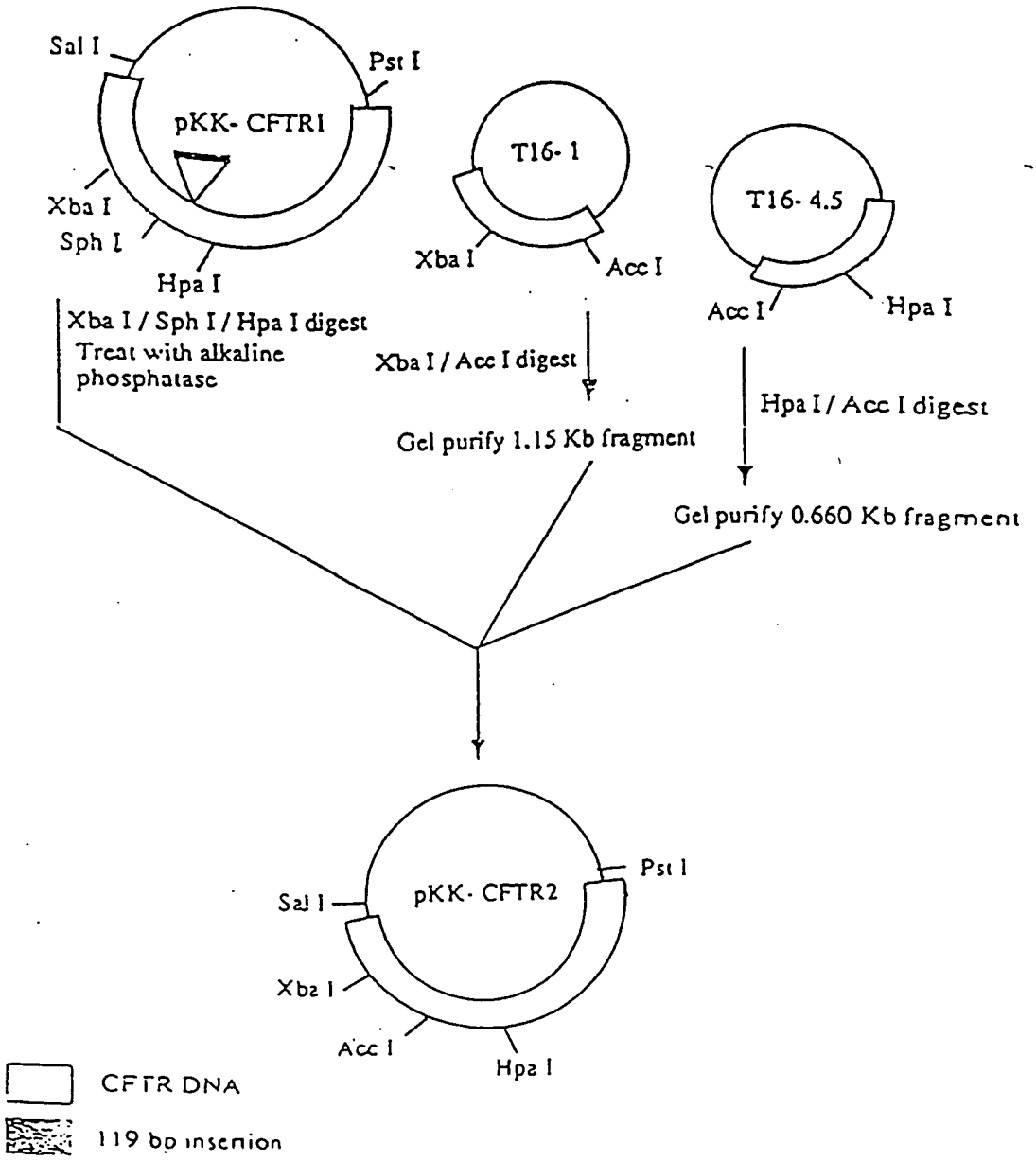


Figure 3

STRATEGY FOR CONSTRUCTING THE pSC- CFTR2 PLASMID

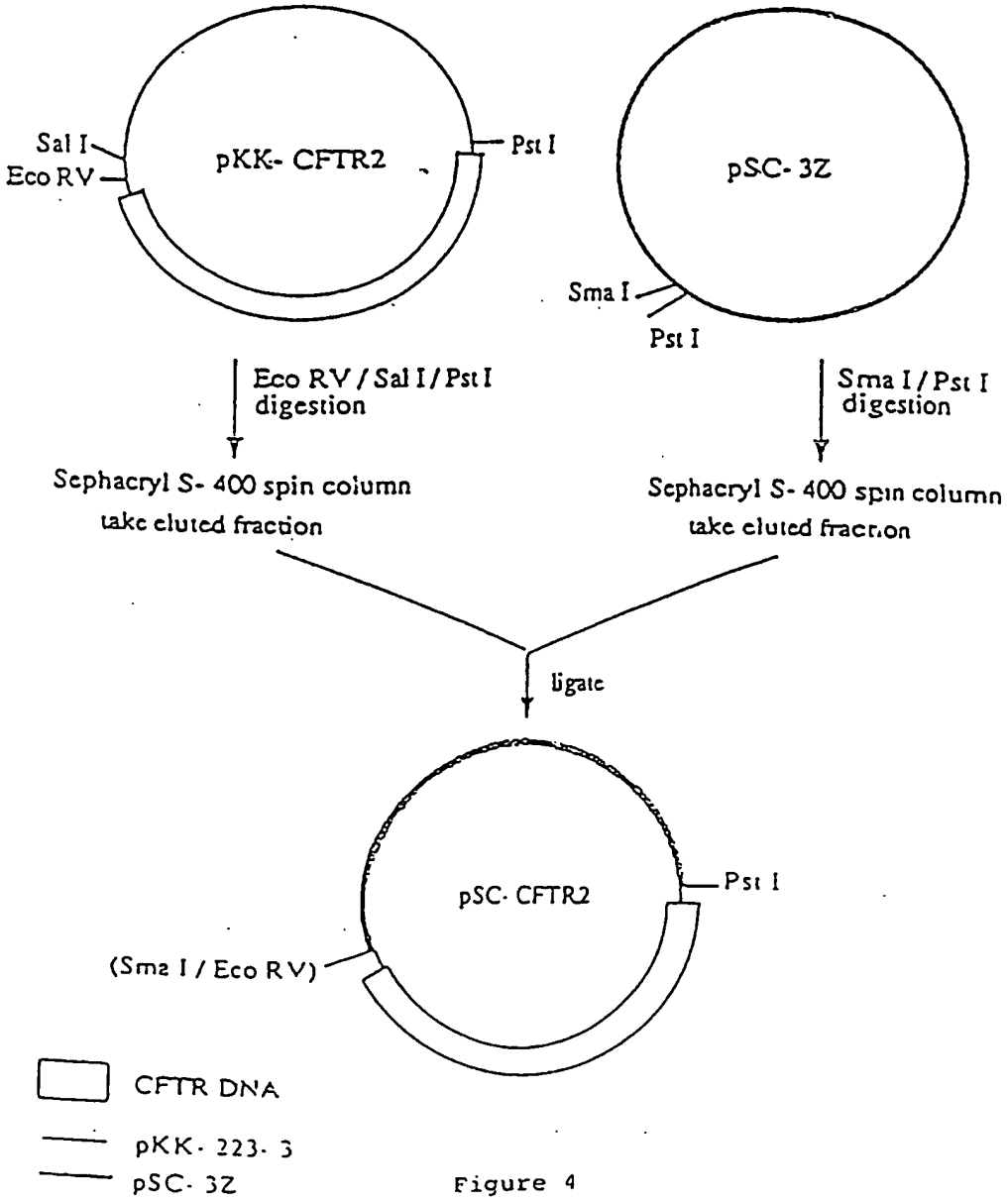
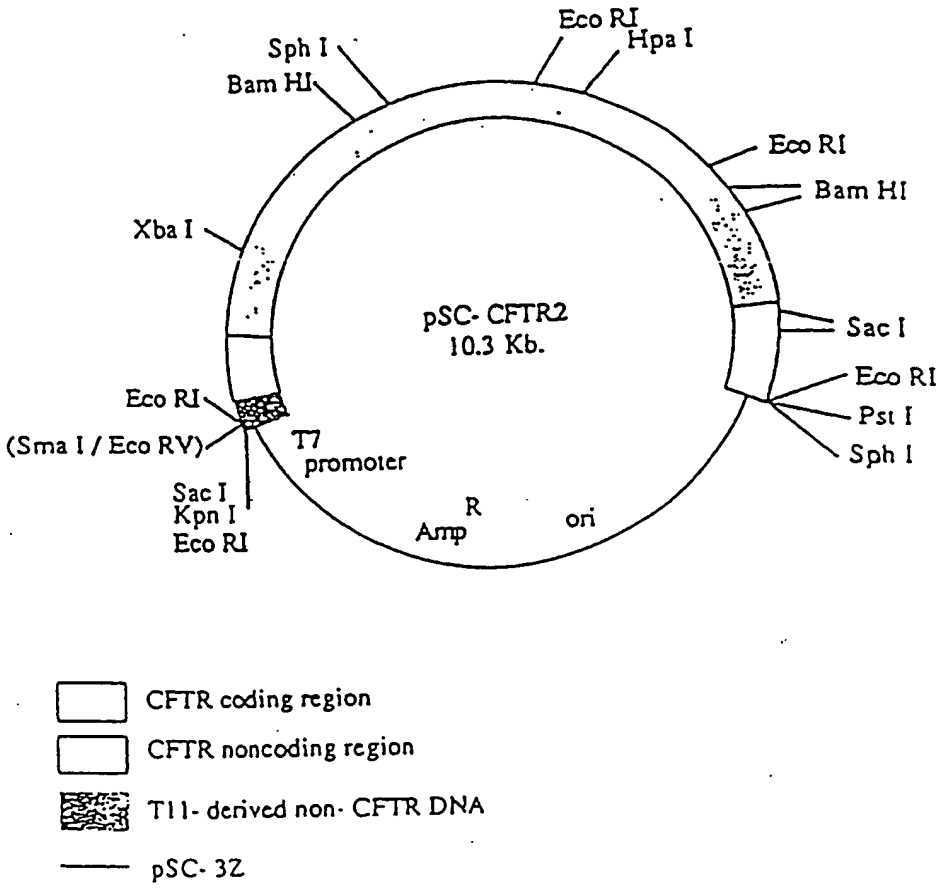


Figure 4

MAP OF pSC- CFTR2



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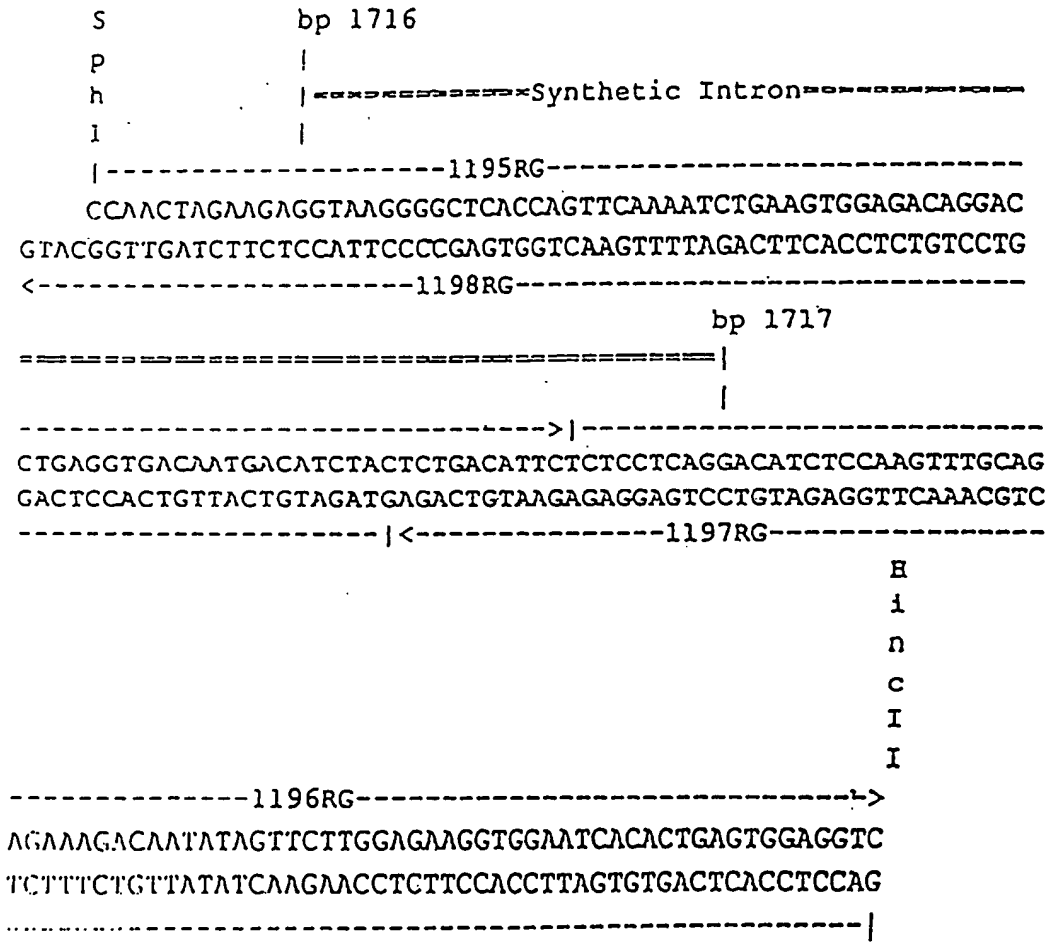
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p
h
I
bp 1716
Synthetic Intron
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GTACGGTTGATCTTCTCCATTCCCCGAGTGGTCAAGTTTTAGACTTCACCTCTGTCCTG
1198RG
bp 1717
CTGAGGTGACAATGACATCTACTCTGACATTCTCTCCTCAGGACATCTCCAAGTTTGCAG
GACTCCACTGTTACTGTAGATGAGACTGTAAGAGAGGAGTCCTGTAGAGGTTCAAACGTC
1197RG
B
i
n
c
I
I
1196RG
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Figure 6

CONSTRUCTION OF THE pKK- CFTR3 cDNA

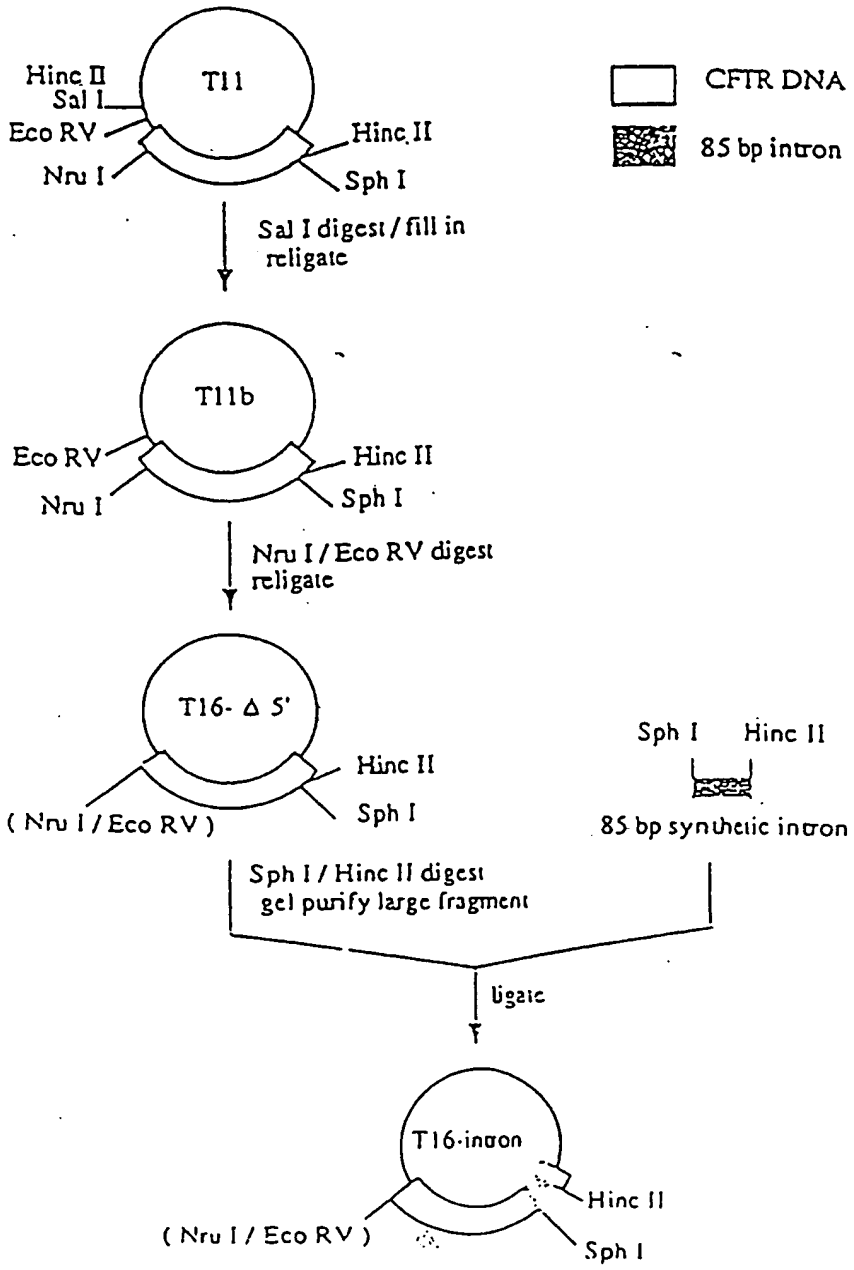


Figure 7A

CONSTRUCTION OF THE pKK- CFTR3 CLONE (cont'd.)

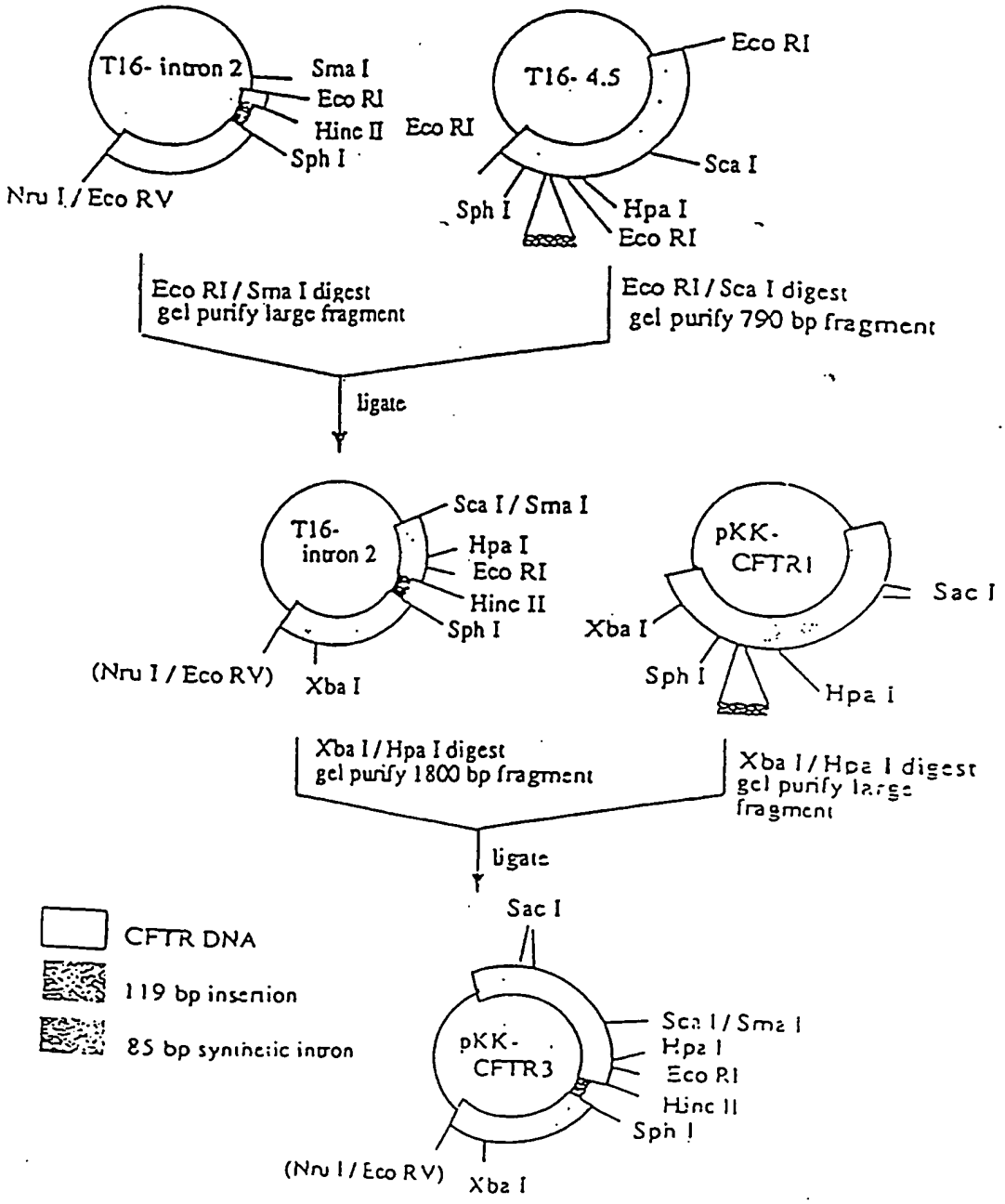
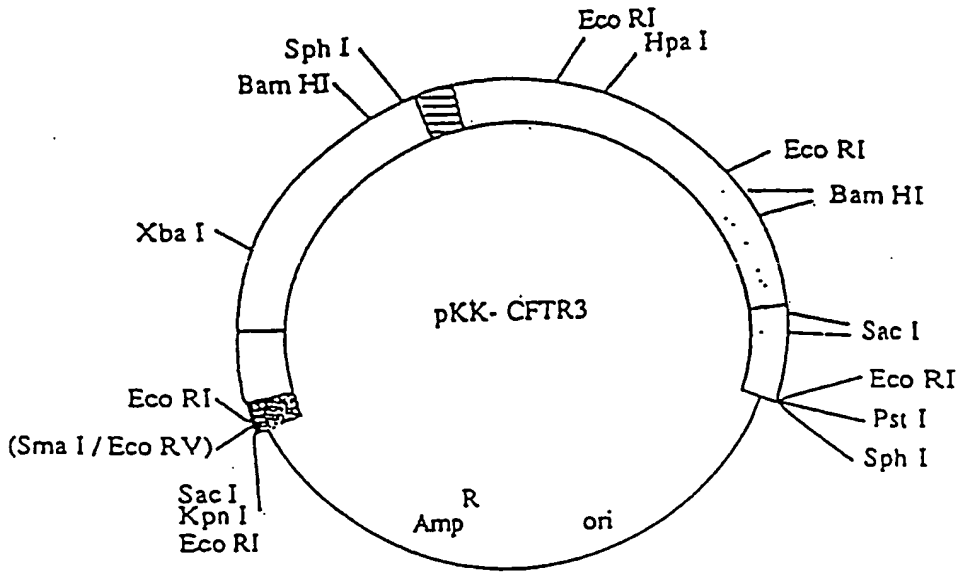


Figure 7B

MAP OF pKK- CFTR3



CFTR coding region

CFTR noncoding region

85 bp intron

T11- derived non- CFTR DNA

pKK- 223- 3

Figure 8

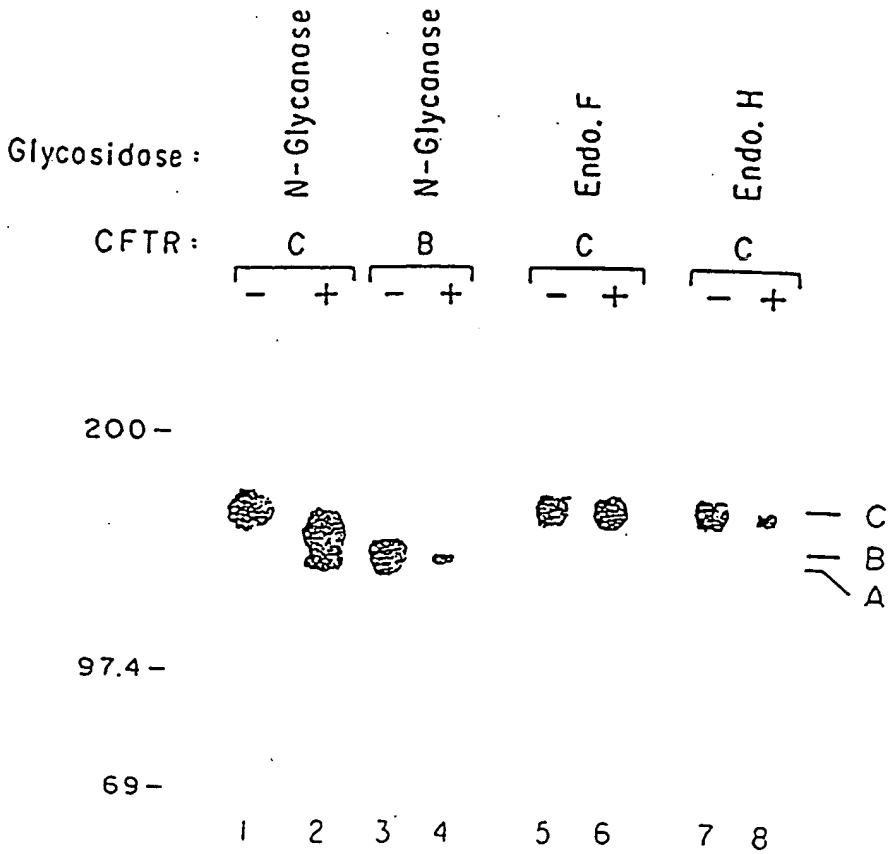
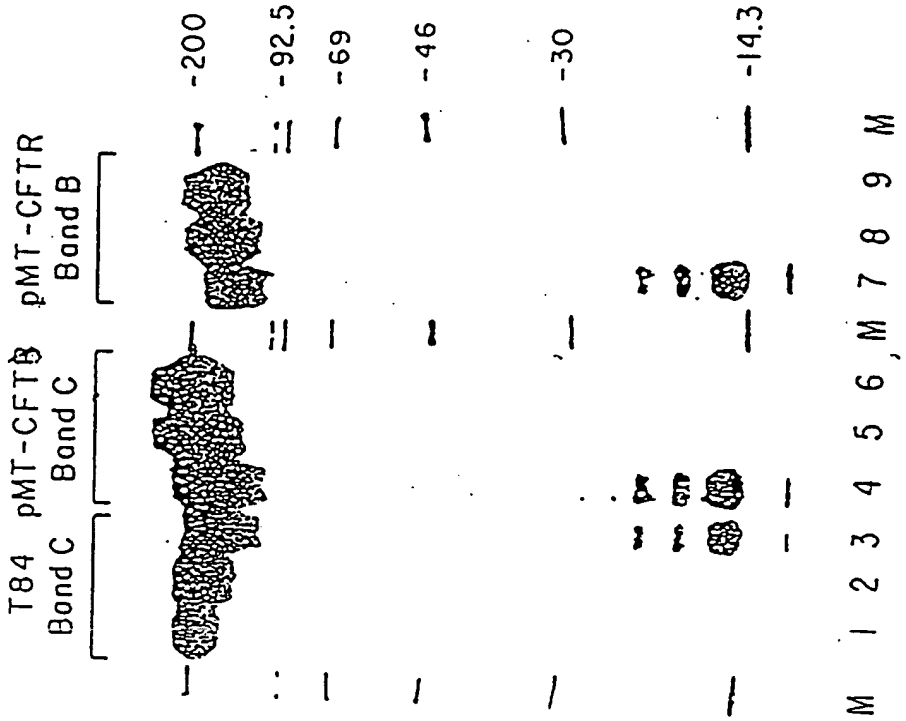

Glycosidase:
N-Glycanase
N-Glycanase
Endo.F
Endo.H
CFTR:
C
B
C
C
- +
- +
- +
- +
200-
97.4-
69-
C
B
A
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Figure 9



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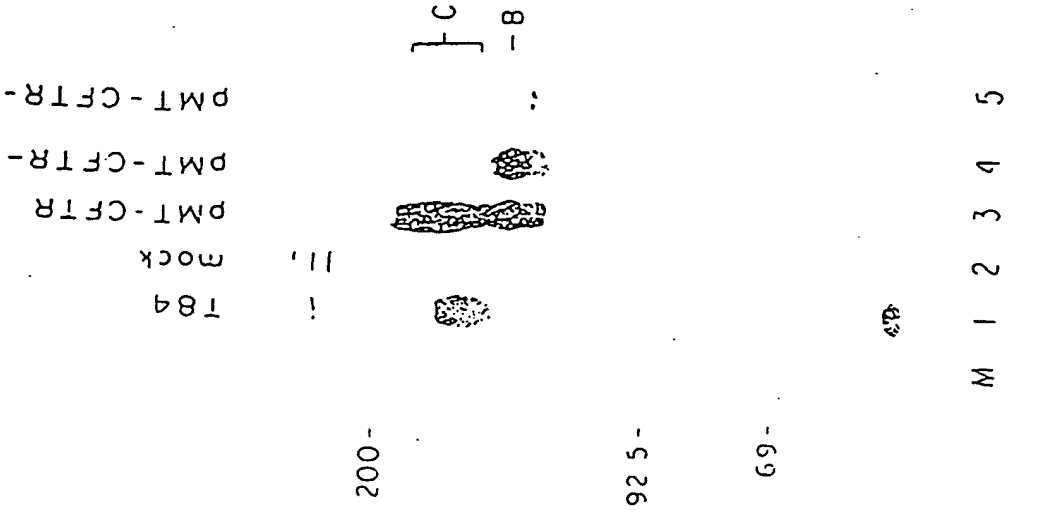

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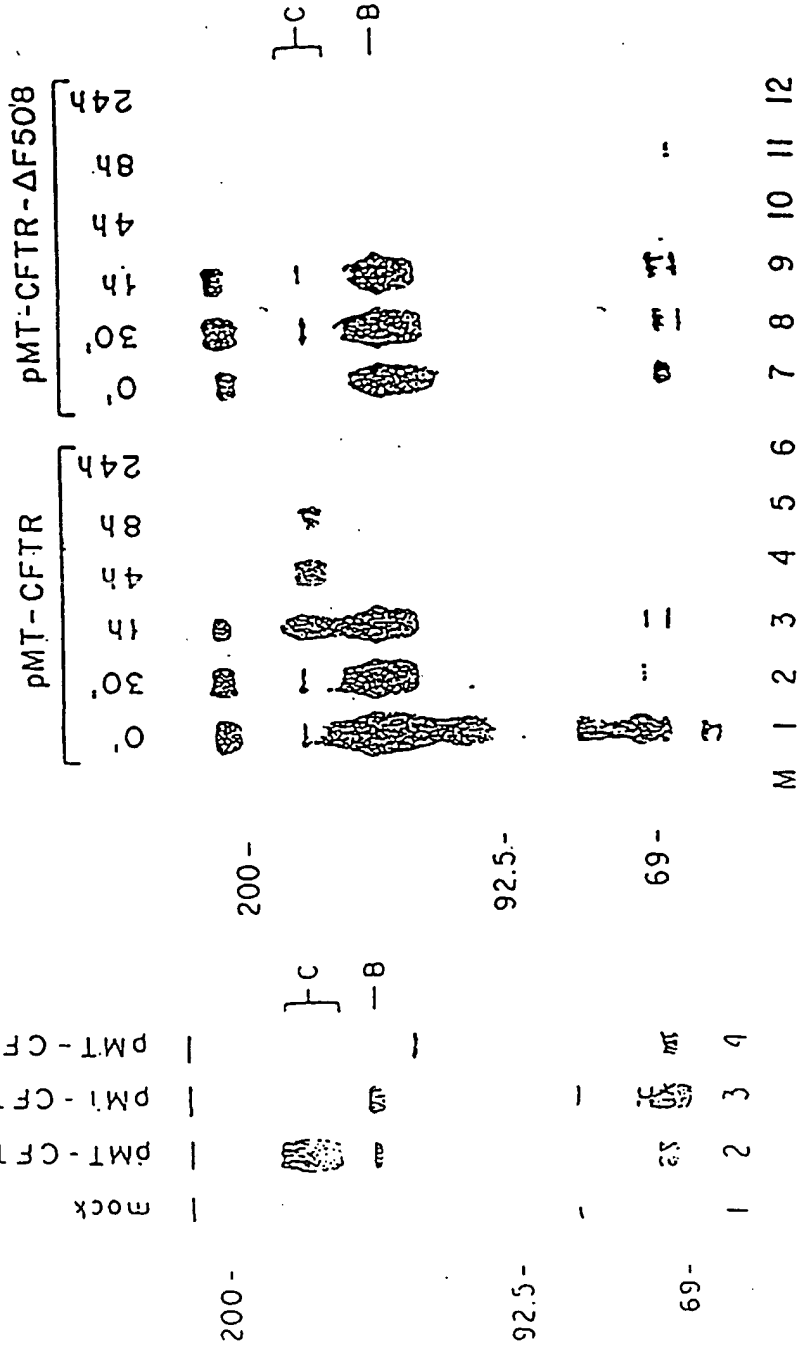


Figure 11B

Figure 11A

Figure 12A

Figure 12B

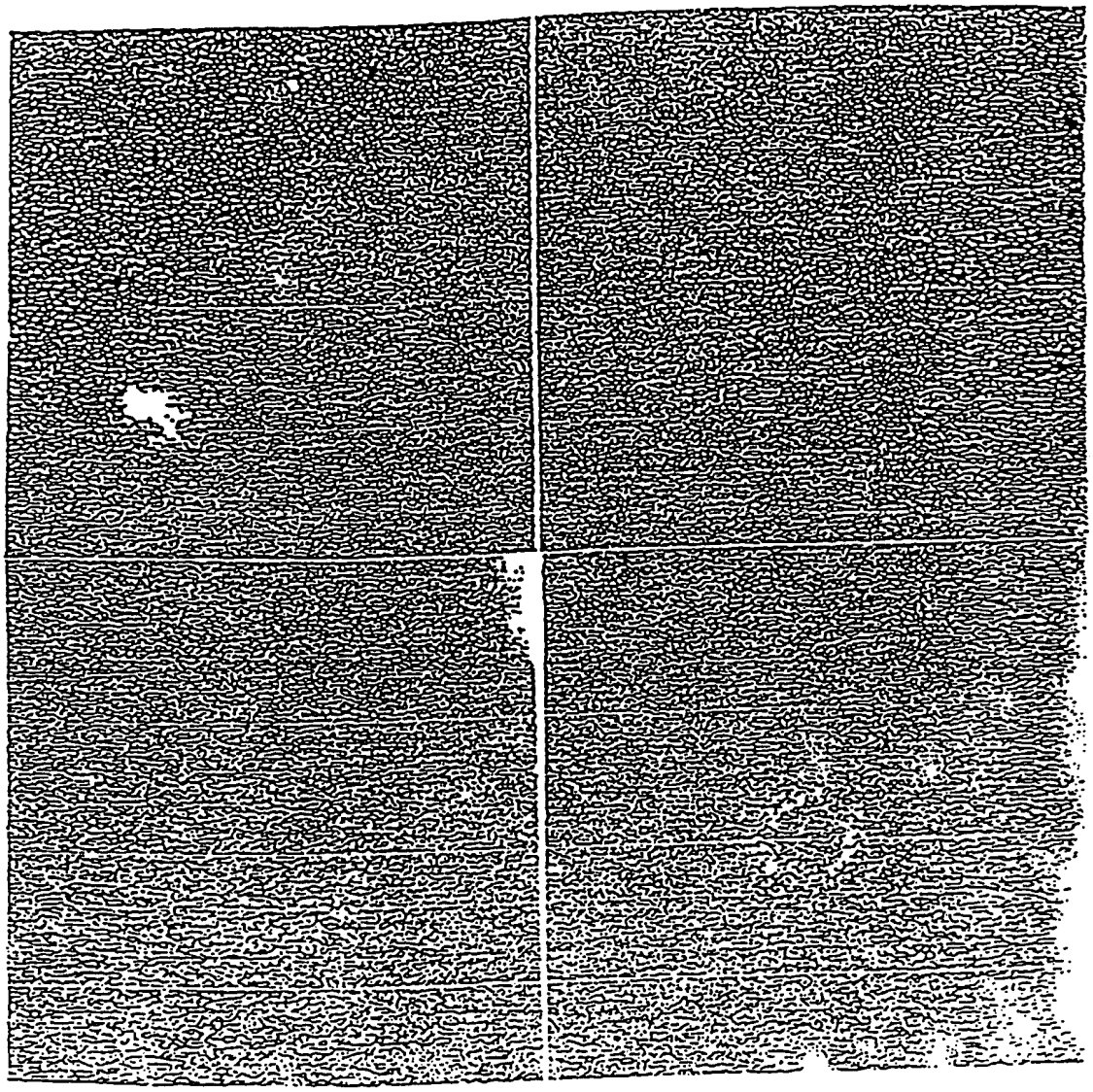
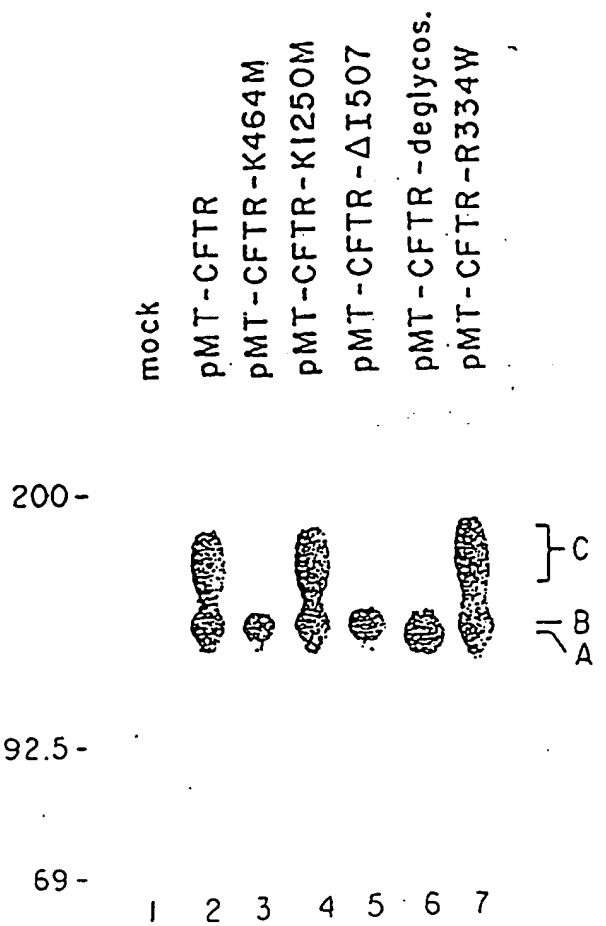


Figure 12C

Figure 12D


mock
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pMT-CFTR-K464M
pMT-CFTR-K1250M
pMT-CFTR-ΔI507
pMT-CFTR-deglycos.
pMT-CFTR-R334W
200-
92.5-
69-
1 2 3 4 5 6 7
C
B
A

Figure 13

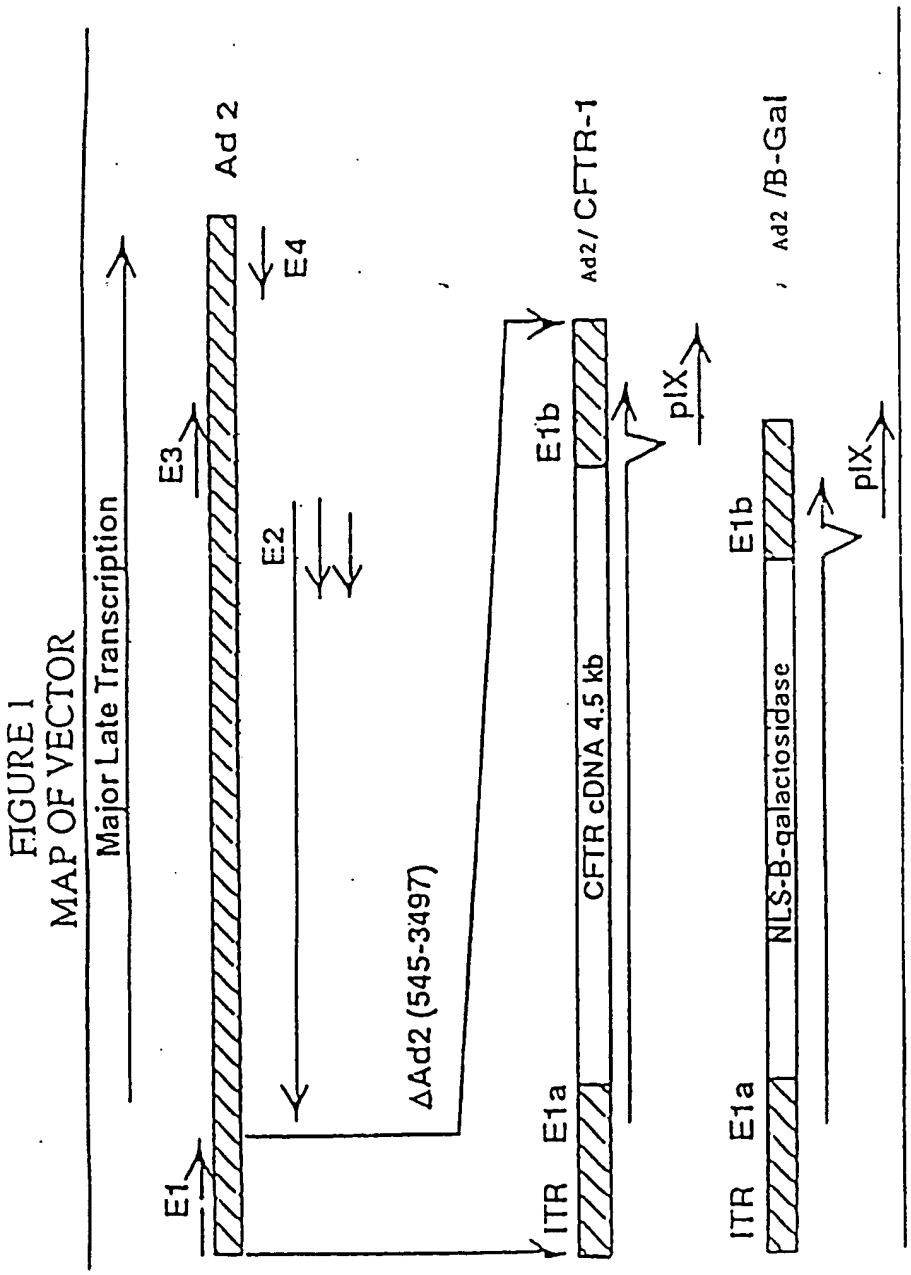
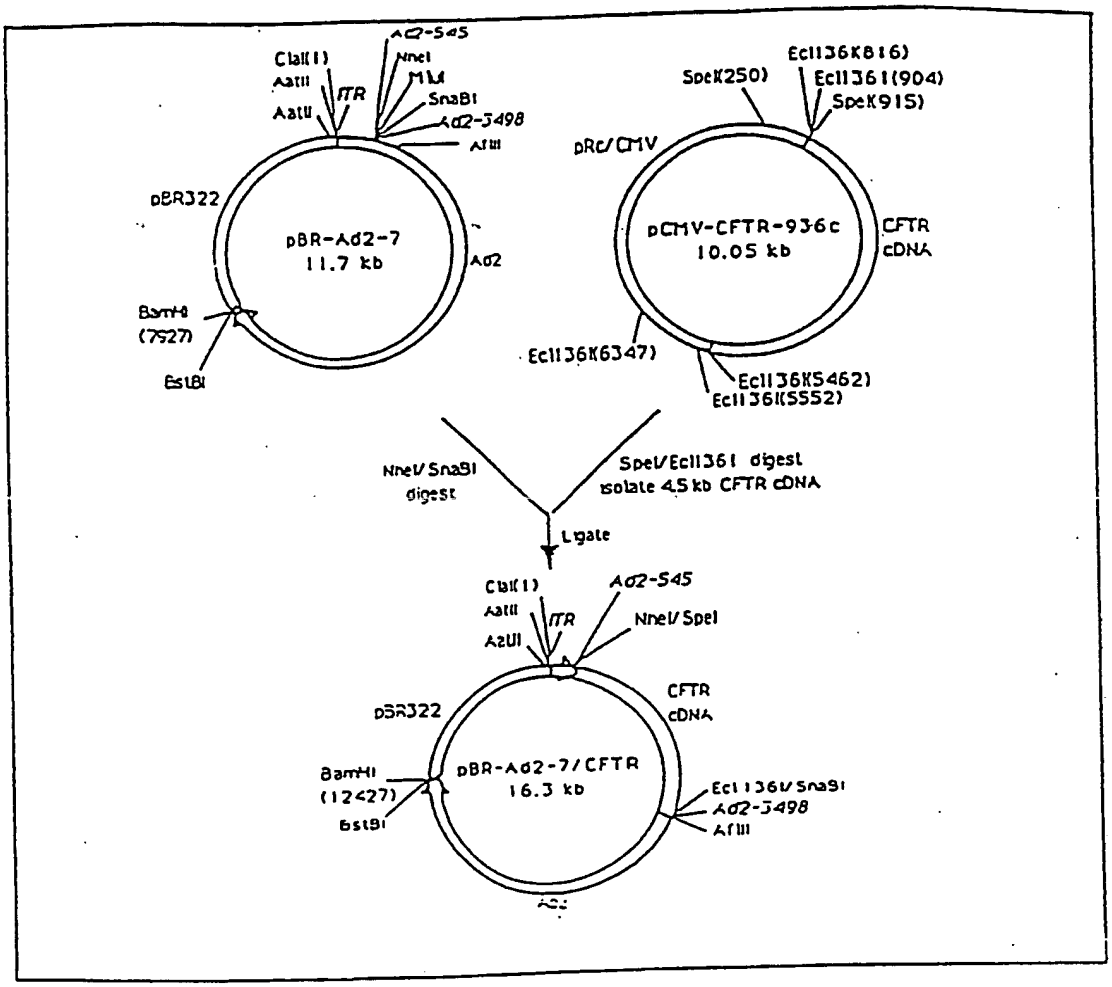


FIGURE 1
MAP OF VECTOR
Major Late Transcription
Ad 2
E4
E3
E2
E1
ΔAd2 (545-3497)
E1b
Ad2/ CFTR-1
pIX
ITR
E1a
CFTR cDNA 4.5 kb
E1b
Ad2 /B-Gal
pIX
ITR
E1a
NLS-B-galactosidase

Figure 14


ClaI(1)
AatII
AatII
ITR
Ad2-545
NheI
MLM
SnaBI
Ad2-3498
AflII
pBR322
pBR-Ad2-7
11.7 kb
Ad2
BamHI
(7527)
EstBI
pRC/CMV
SpeI(250)
Ecl136K(816)
Ecl1361(904)
SpeI(915)
pCMV-CFTR-936c
10.05 kb
CFTR
cDNA
Ecl136K(6347)
Ecl136K(5462)
Ecl136K(5552)
NheI/SnaBI
digest
SpeI/Ecl1361 digest
isolate 4.5 kb CFTR cDNA
Ligate
ClaI(1)
AatII
AatII
ITR
Ad2-545
NheI/SpeI
CFTR
cDNA
pBR322
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(12427)
BstBI
Ecl136I/SnaBI
Ad2-3498
AflII

Figure 15

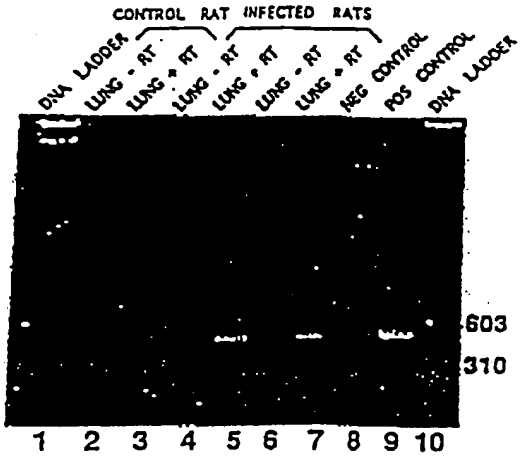
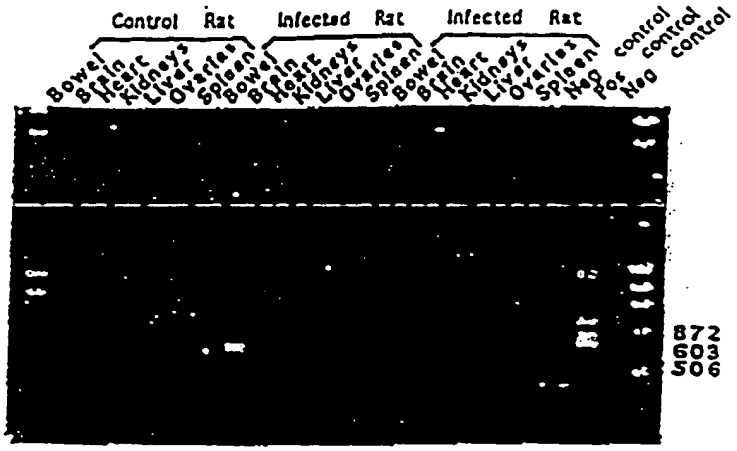

CONTROL RAT
INFECTED RATS
DNA LADDER
LUNG - RT
LUNG + RT
LUNG - RT
LUNG + RT
LUNG - RT
LUNG + RT
NEG CONTROL
POS CONTROL
DNA LADDER
603
310
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Figure 16


Control Rat
Infected Rat
Infected Rat
Bowel
Brain
Heart
Kidneys
Liver
Ovaries
Spleen
Bowel
Brain
Heart
Kidneys
Liver
Ovaries
Spleen
Bowel
Brain
Heart
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Liver
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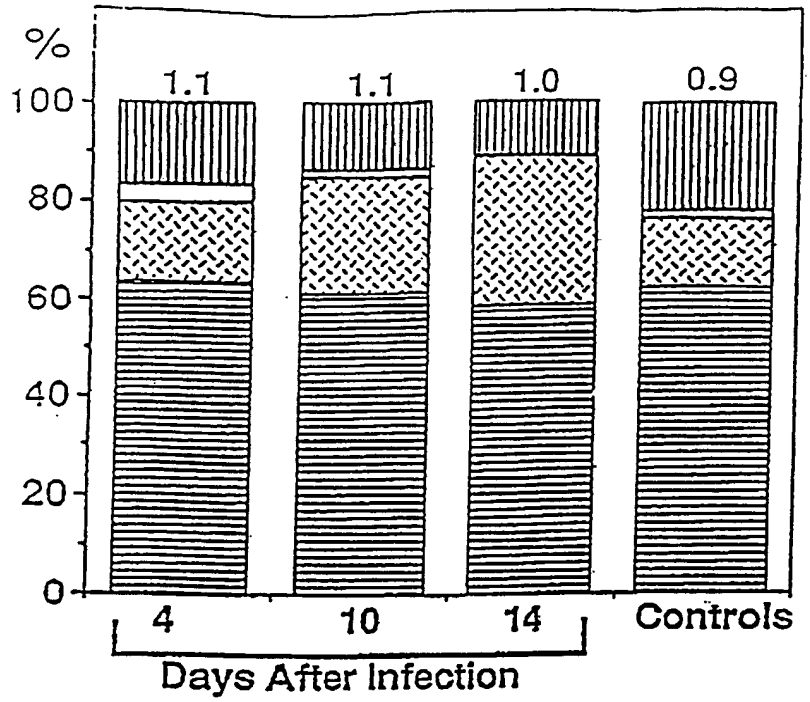
Spleen
Neg
Pos
Neg
control
control
control
872
603
506

Figure 17



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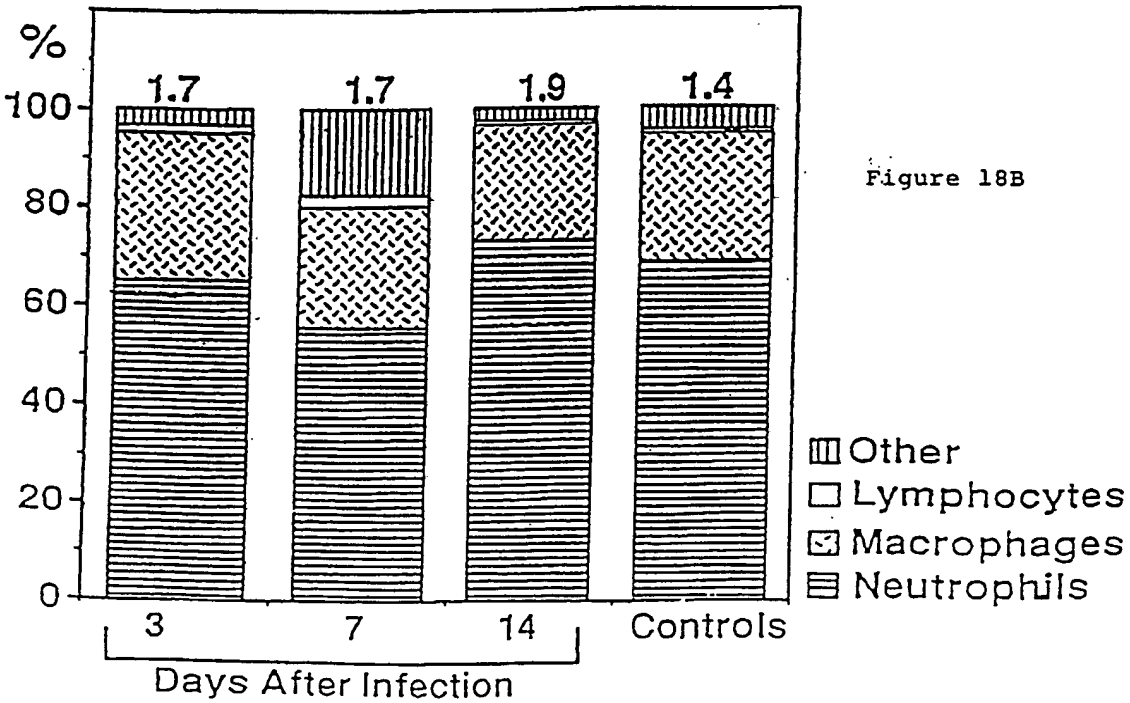

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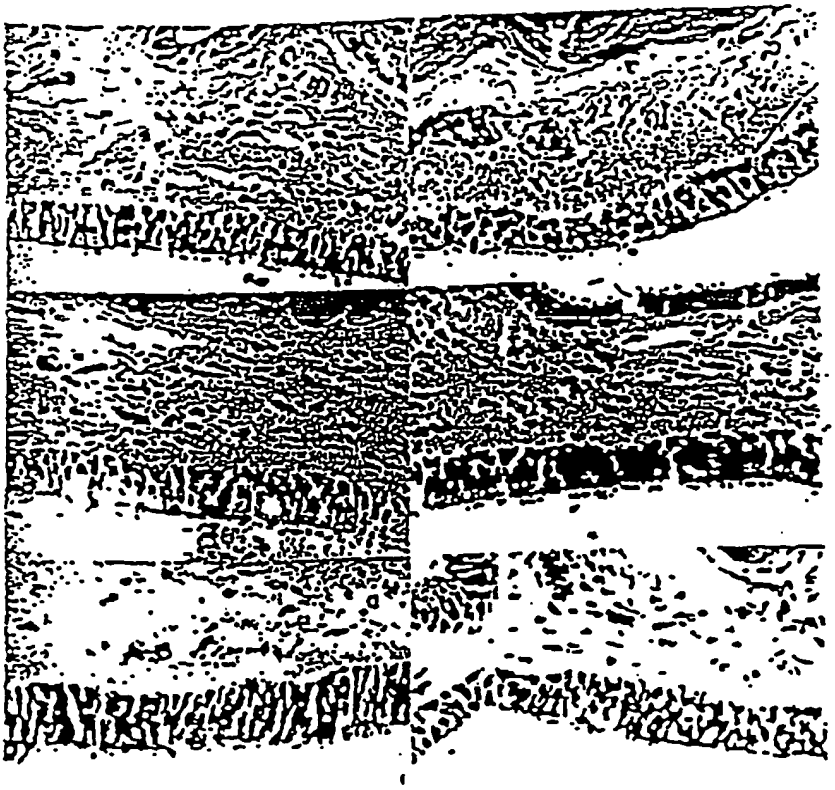

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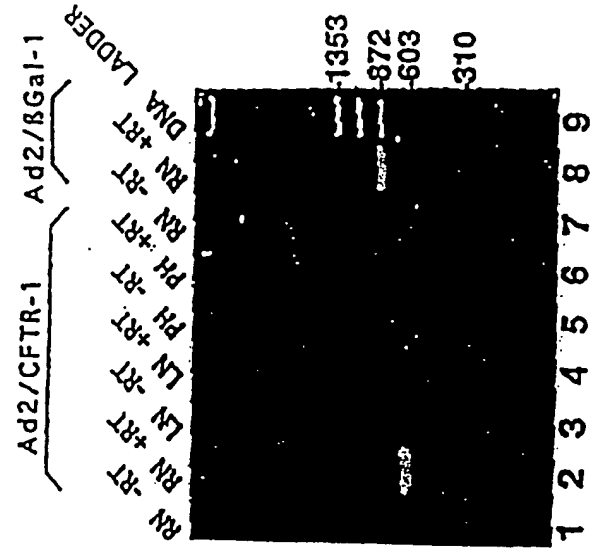

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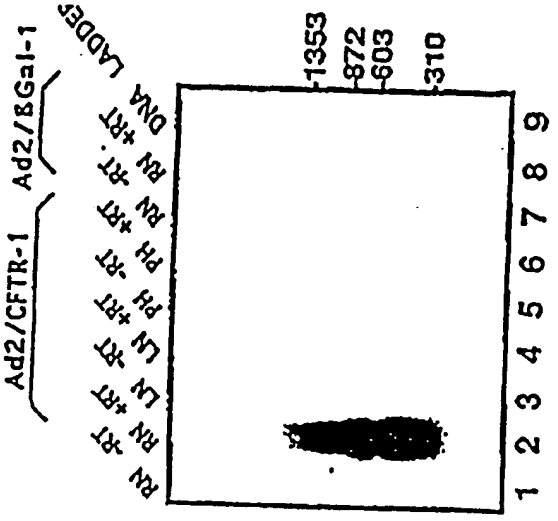

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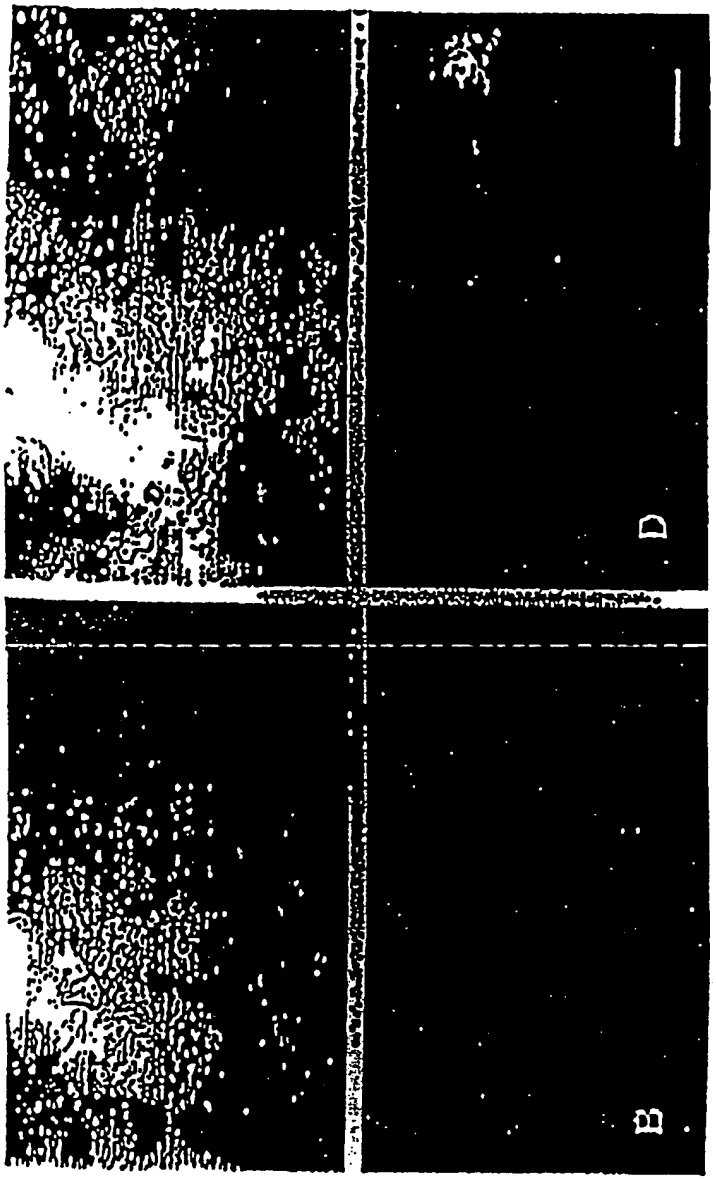

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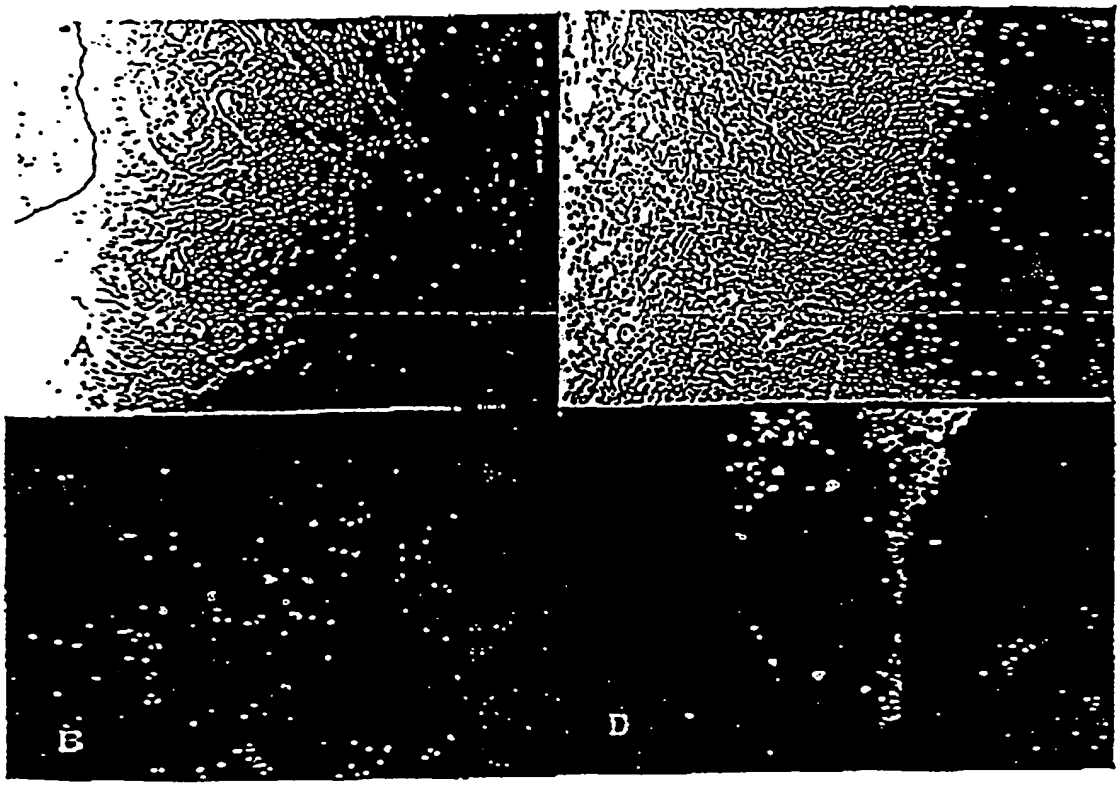

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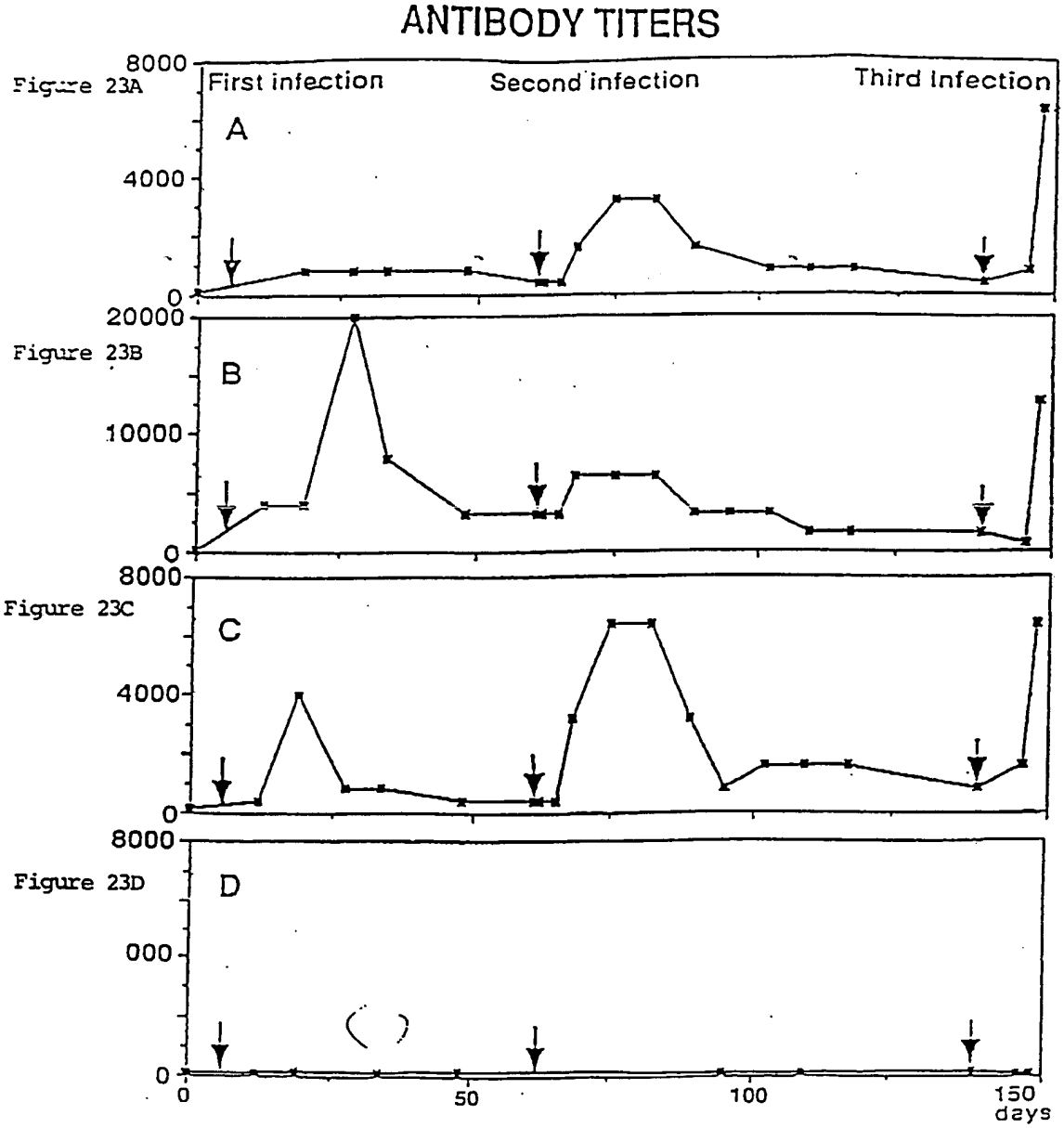
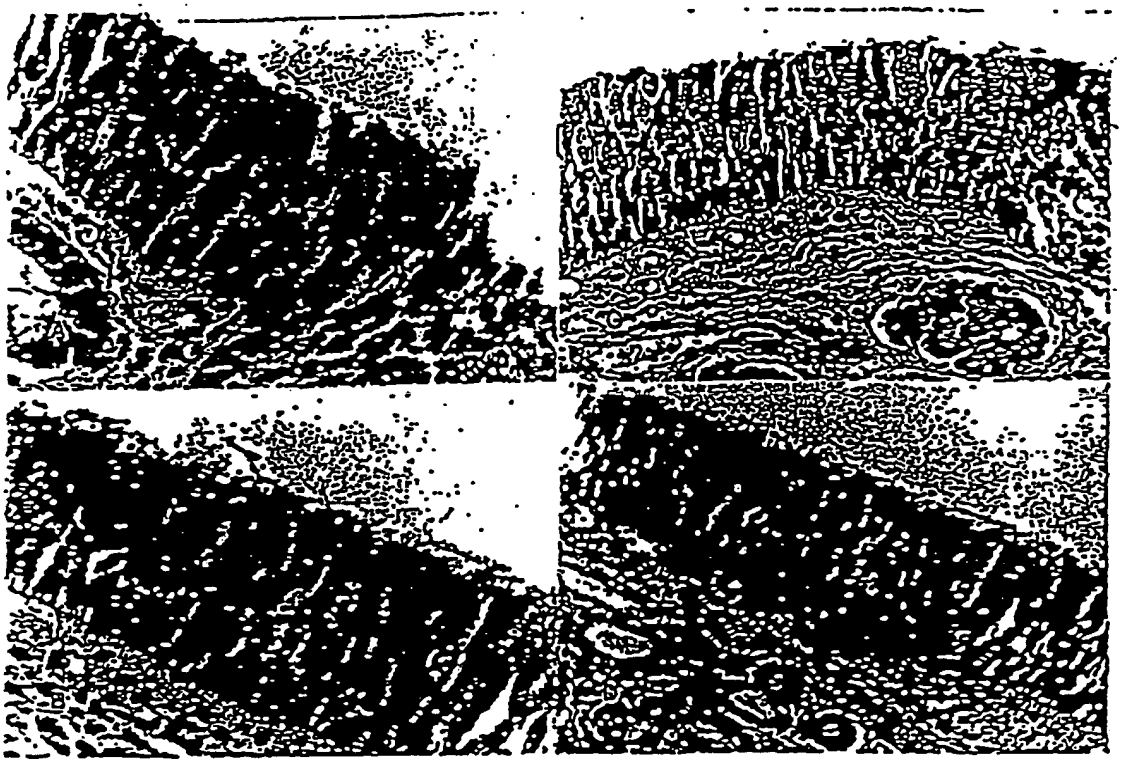


Figure 23A

Figure 23B

Figure 23C

Figure 23D



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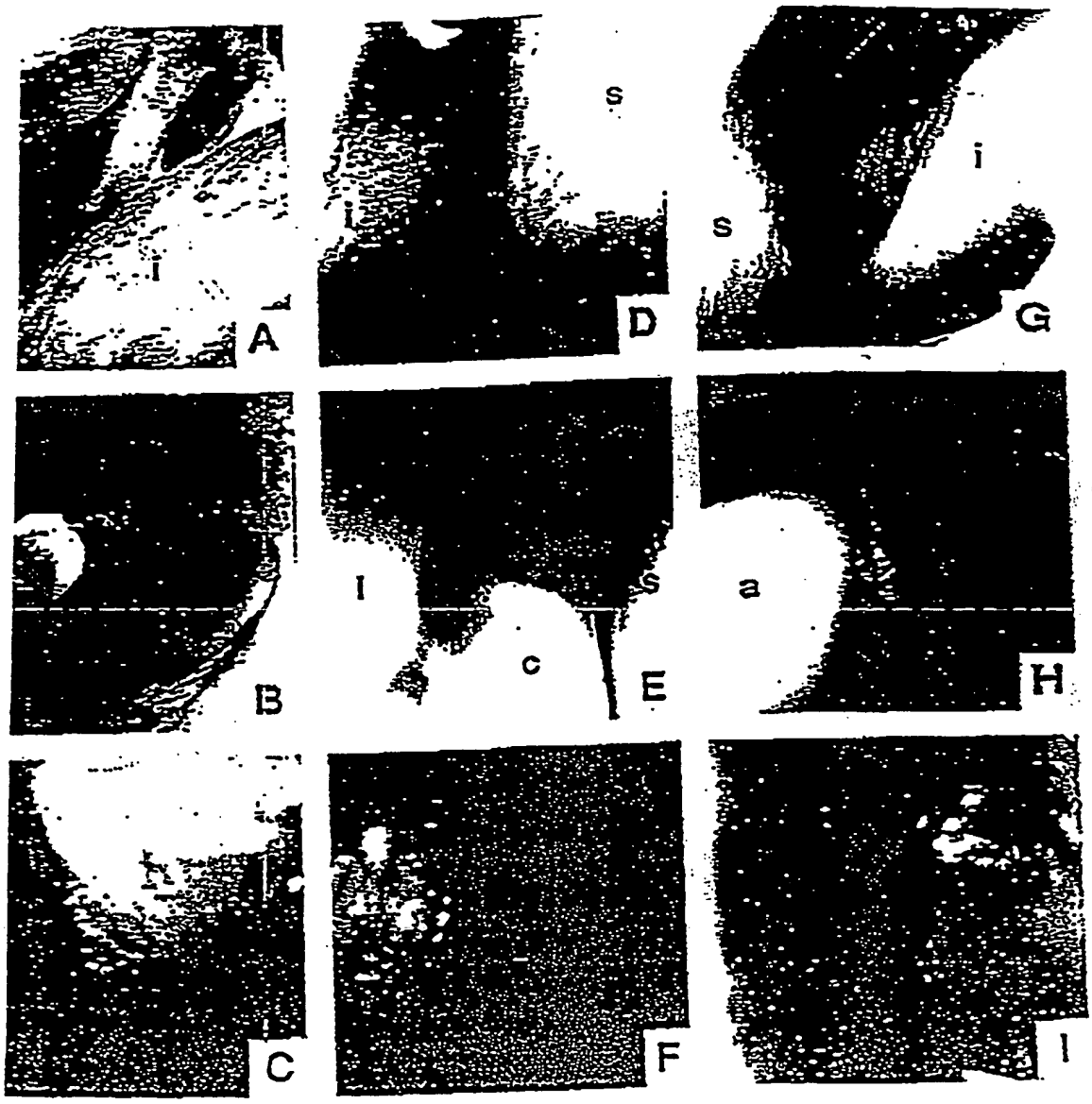
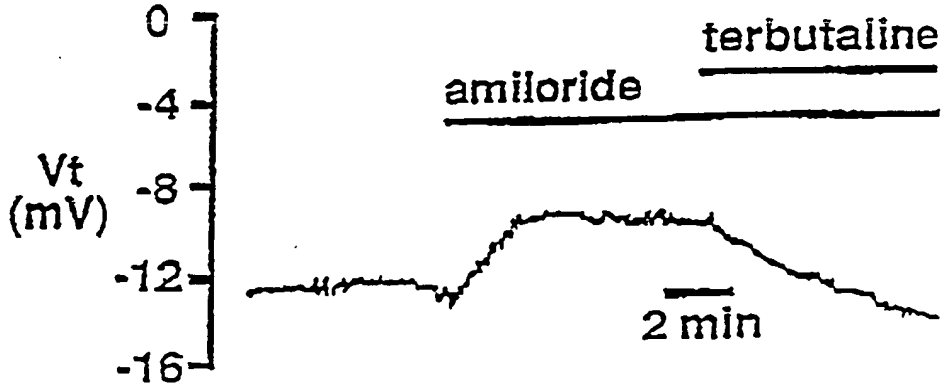


Figure 25

Figure 26



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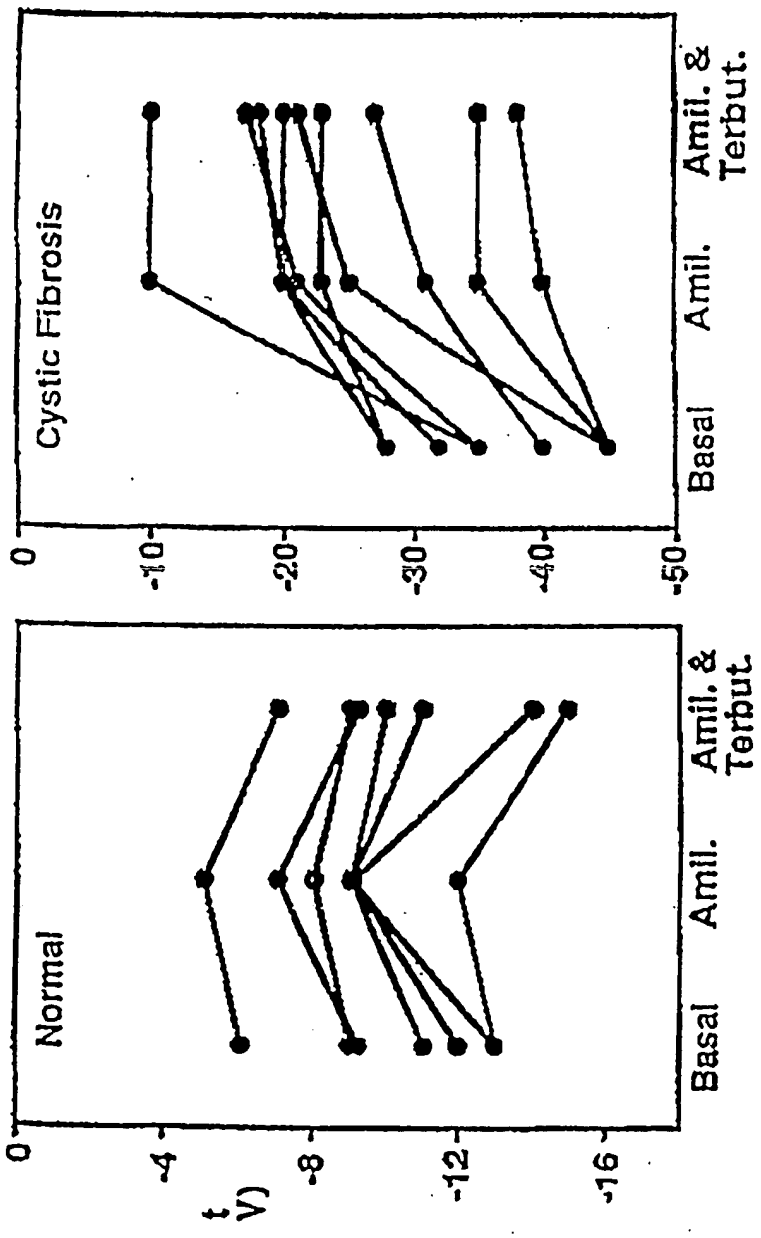
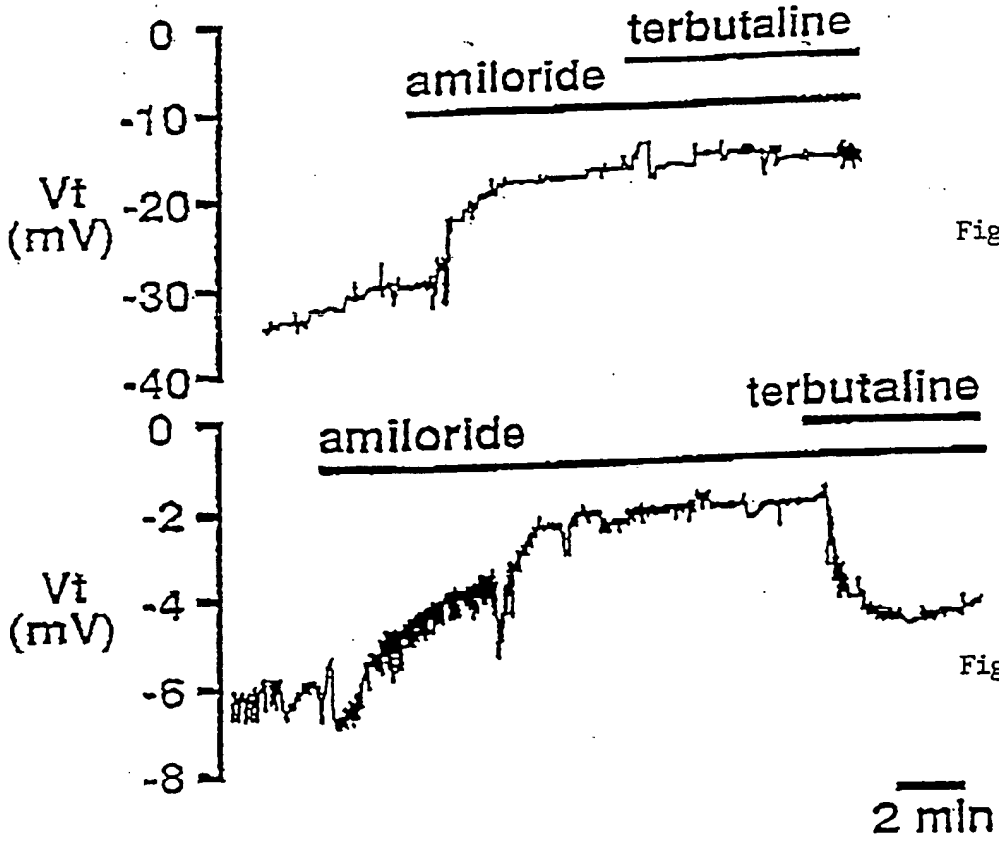


Figure 28B

Figure 28A



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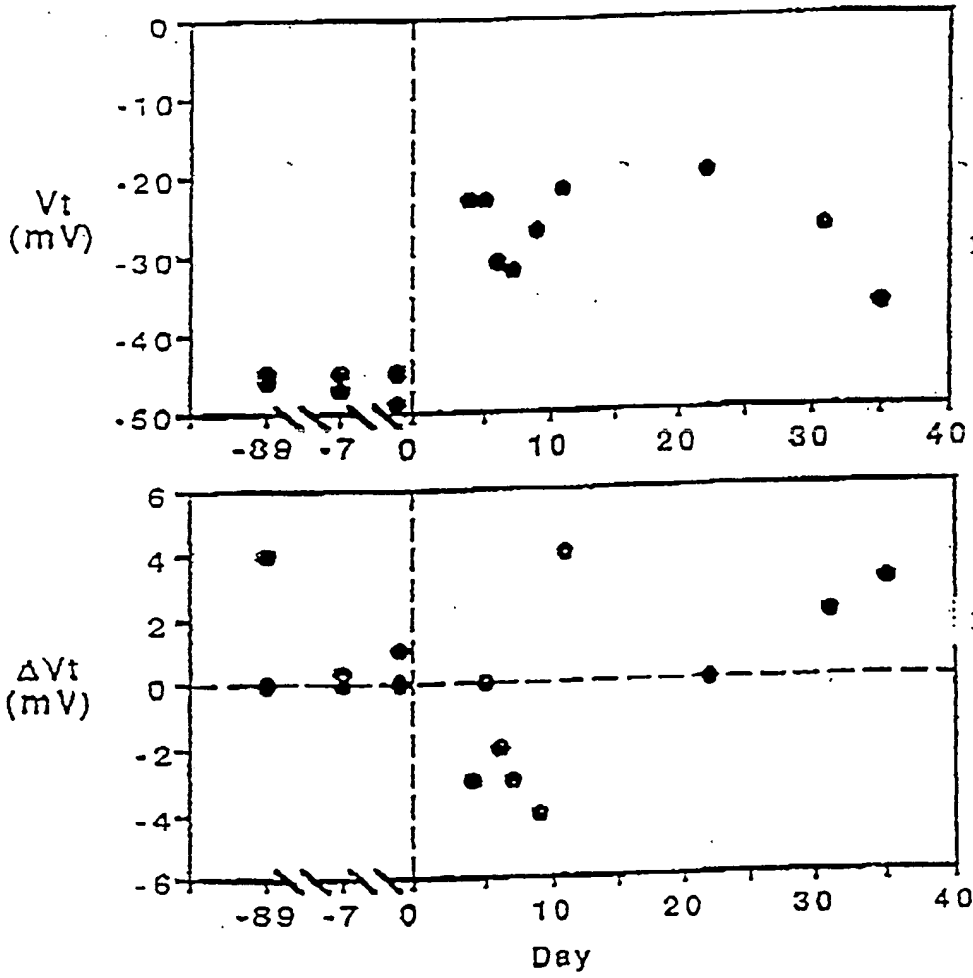

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Figure 30B

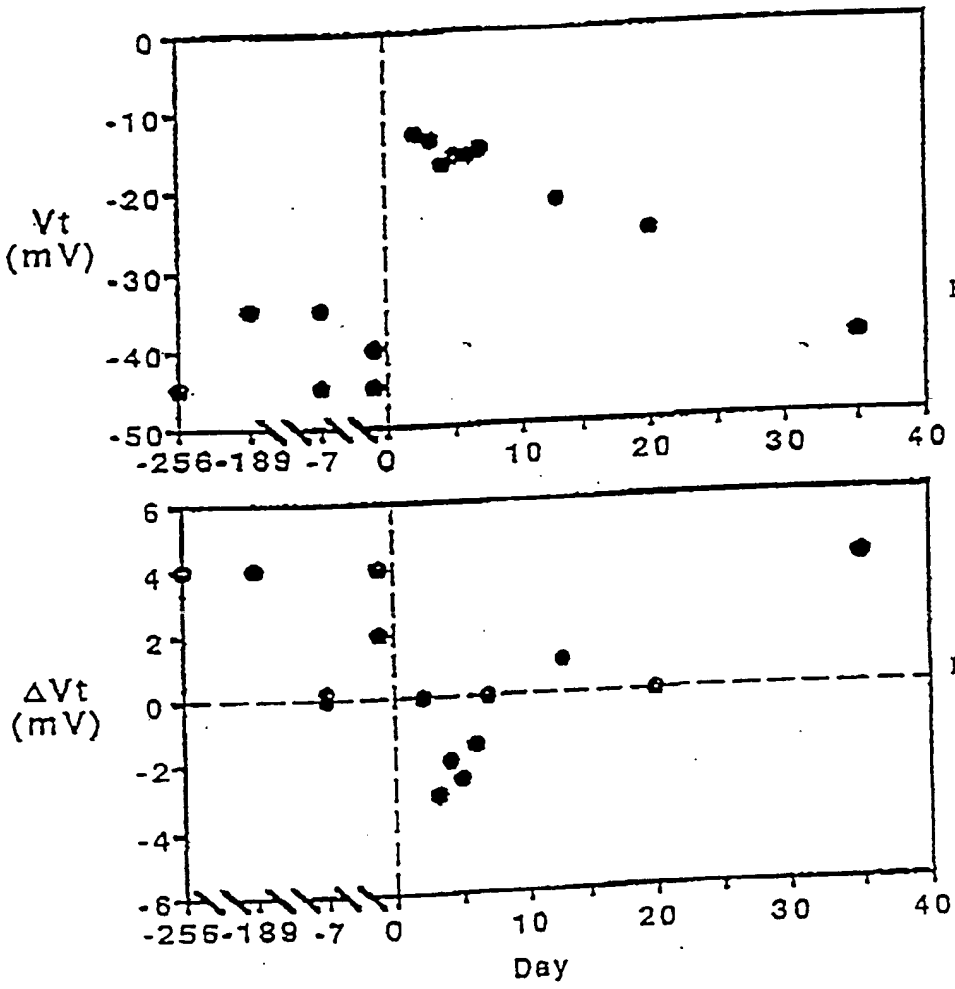


Figure 30C

Figure 30D

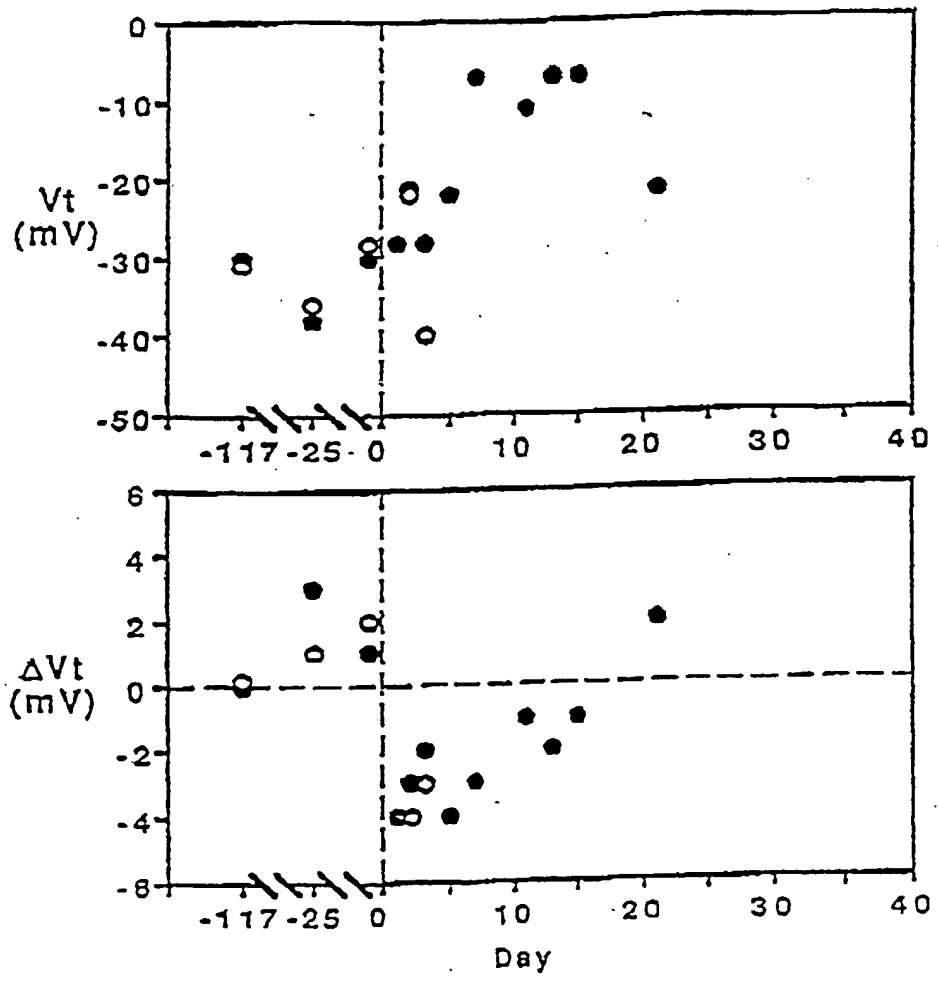
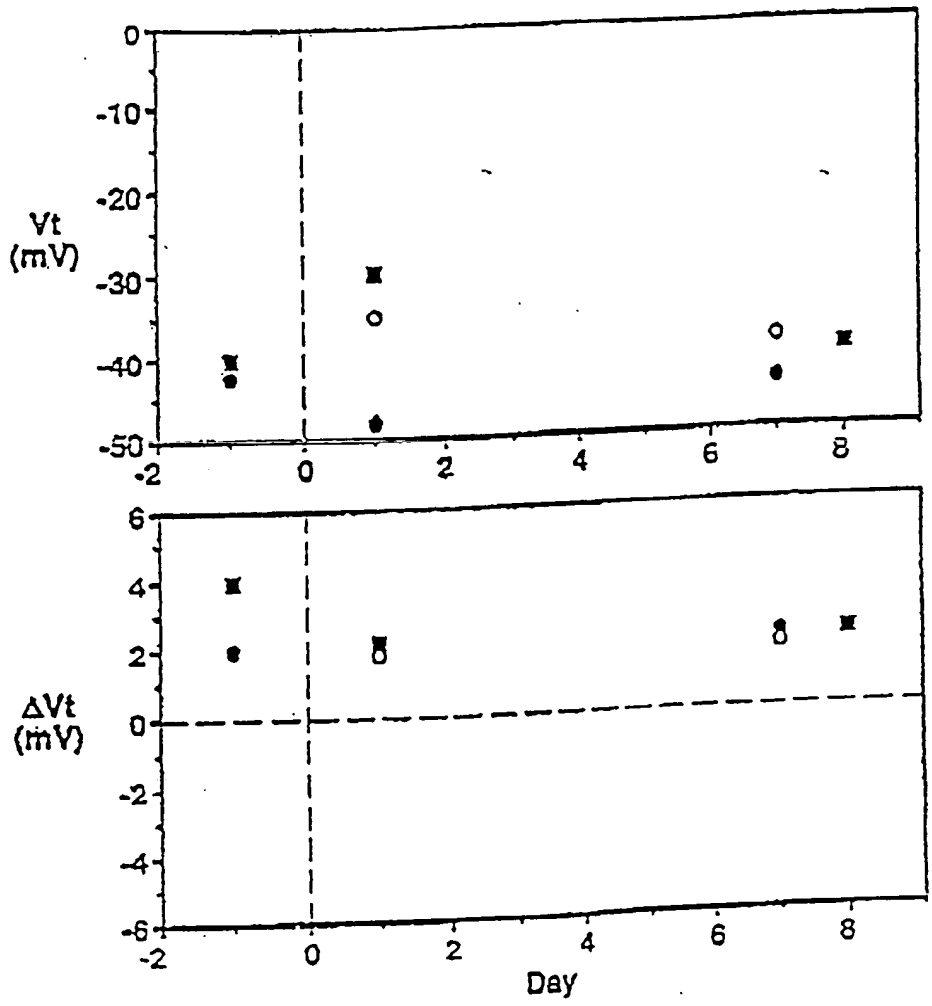


Figure 30E

Figure 30F



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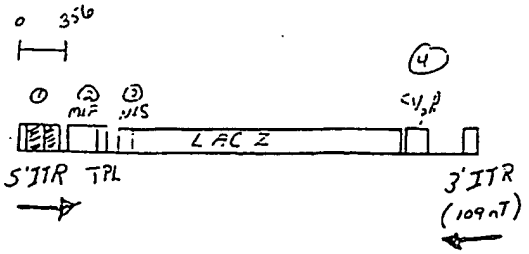
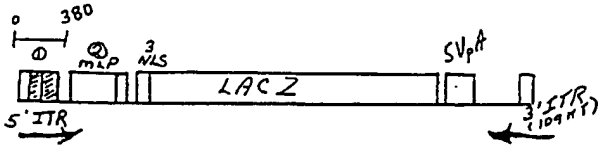


① Adenovirus Type 2 packaging signal and E1 enhancer Region
② Adenovirus Type 2 major Late Promoter and Tri-partite Leader
③ SV_{40} T-antigen Nuclear Localization Signal
④ SV_{40} Poly Adenylation Signal

PAV II



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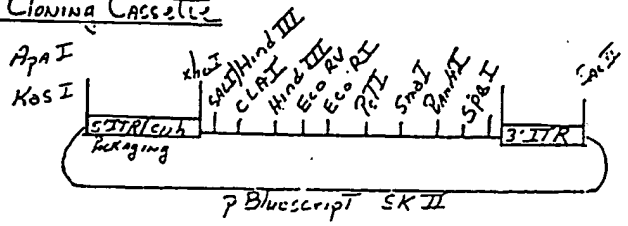
④ SV_{40} Poly Adenylation Signal

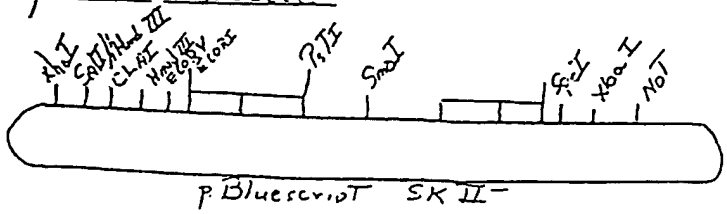
PAV I/II LEC

⑤ EMC Virus Internal Ribosomal entry site - for Polycistronic Translation

PAV I Cloning Cassette



Expression Cassette



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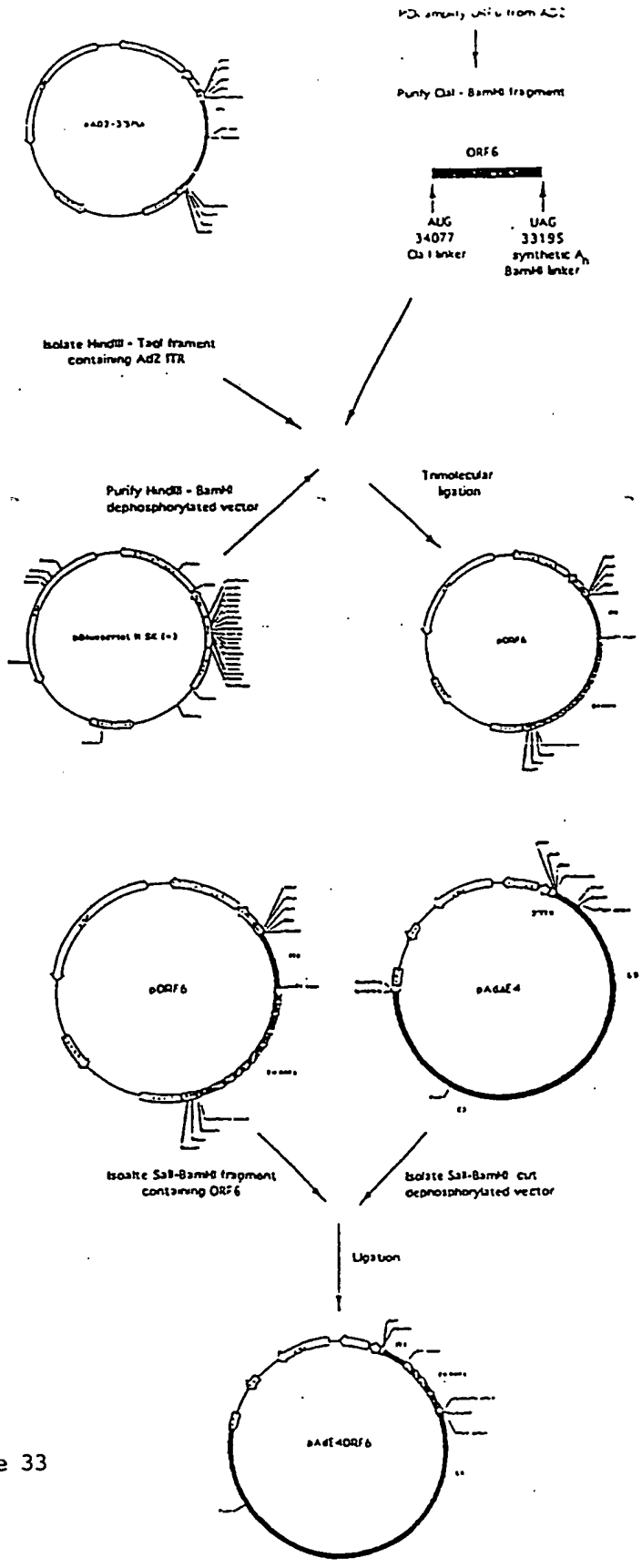
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ORF6
AUG
34077
ClaI linker
UAG
33195
synthetic A
BamHI linker
Isolate HindIII - TaqI fragment
containing Ad2 ITR
Purify HindIII - BamHI
dephosphorylated vector
Trimolecular
ligation
pORF6
pAdE4
Isolate SalI-BamHI fragment
containing ORF6
Isolate SalI-BamHI cut
dephosphorylated vector
Ligation
pAdE4ORF6

Figure 33

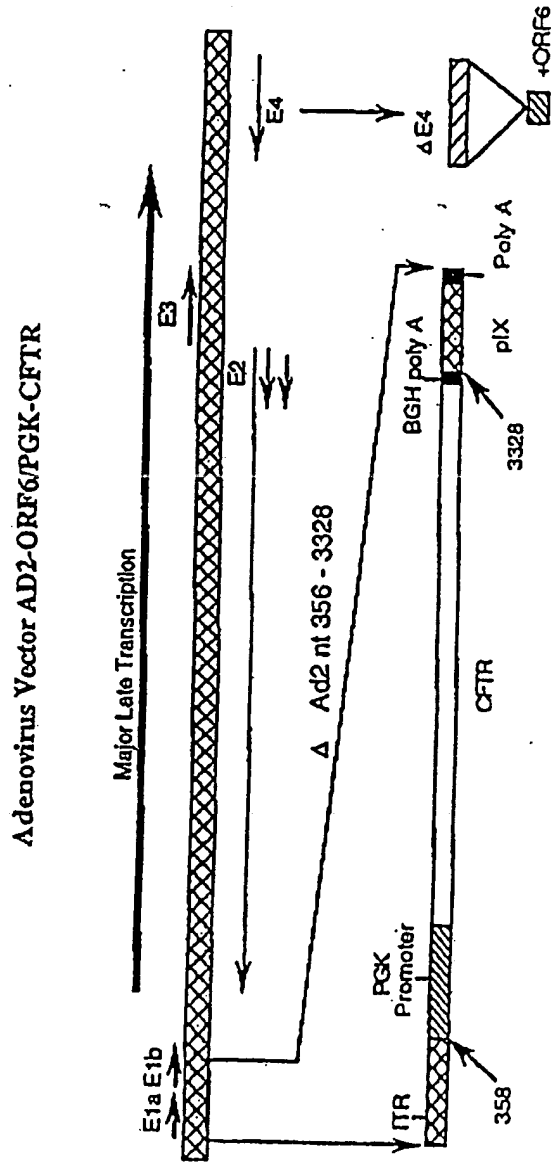
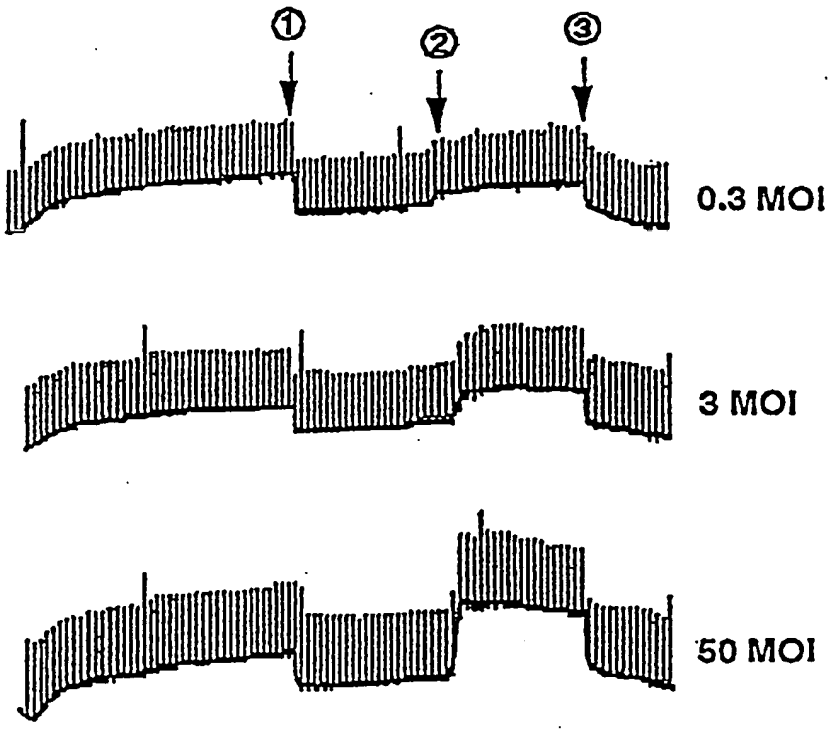

Adenovirus Vector AD2-ORF6/PGK-CFTR
Major Late Transcription
E3
E2
E4
ΔE4
+ORF6
Poly A
pIX
BGH poly A
3328
Δ Ad2 nt 356 - 3328
CFTR
PGK Promoter
E1a E1b
ITR
358

Figure 34



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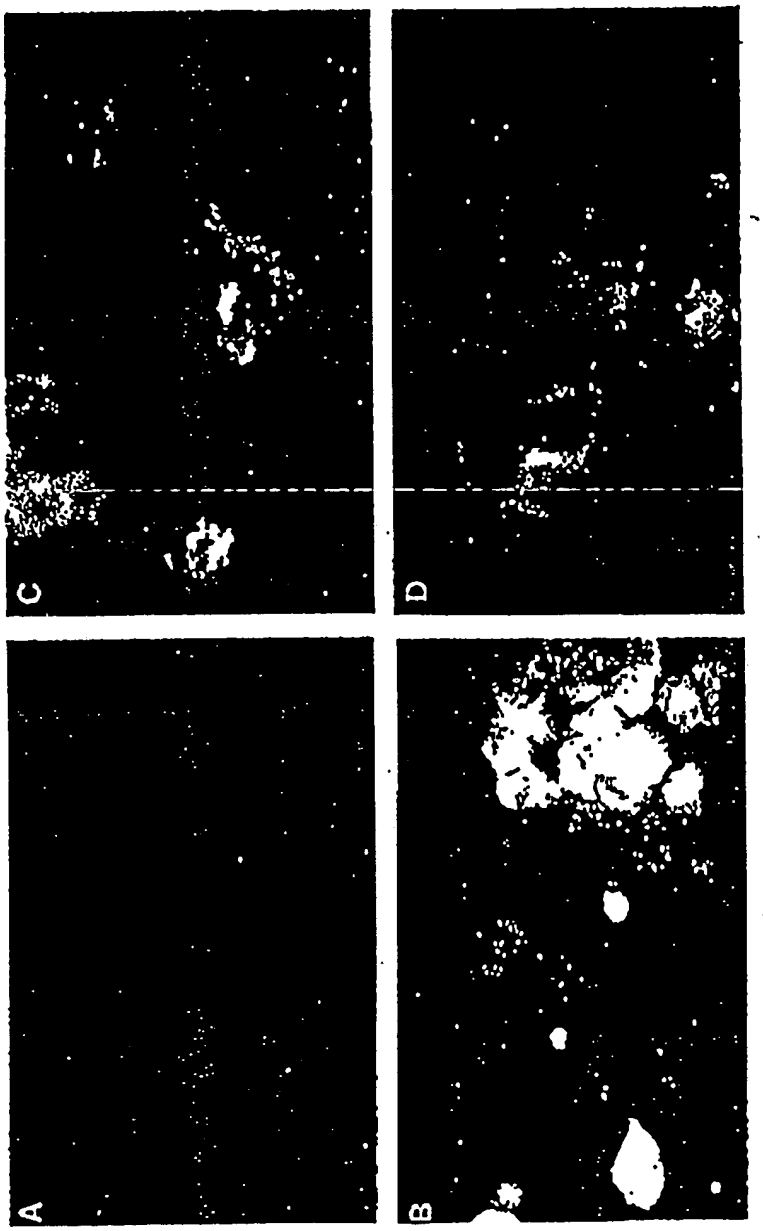


Figure 36 C

Figure 36D

Figure 36A

Figure 36B

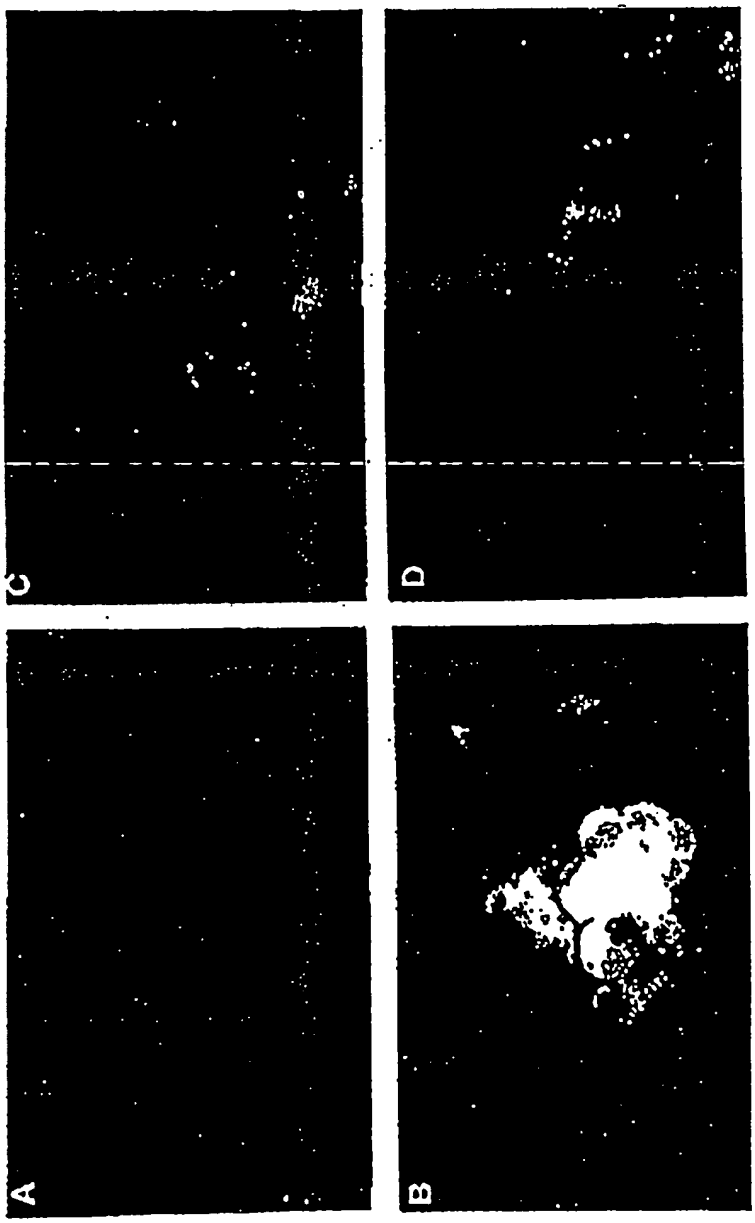


Figure 37C

Figure 37D

Figure 37A

Figure 37B

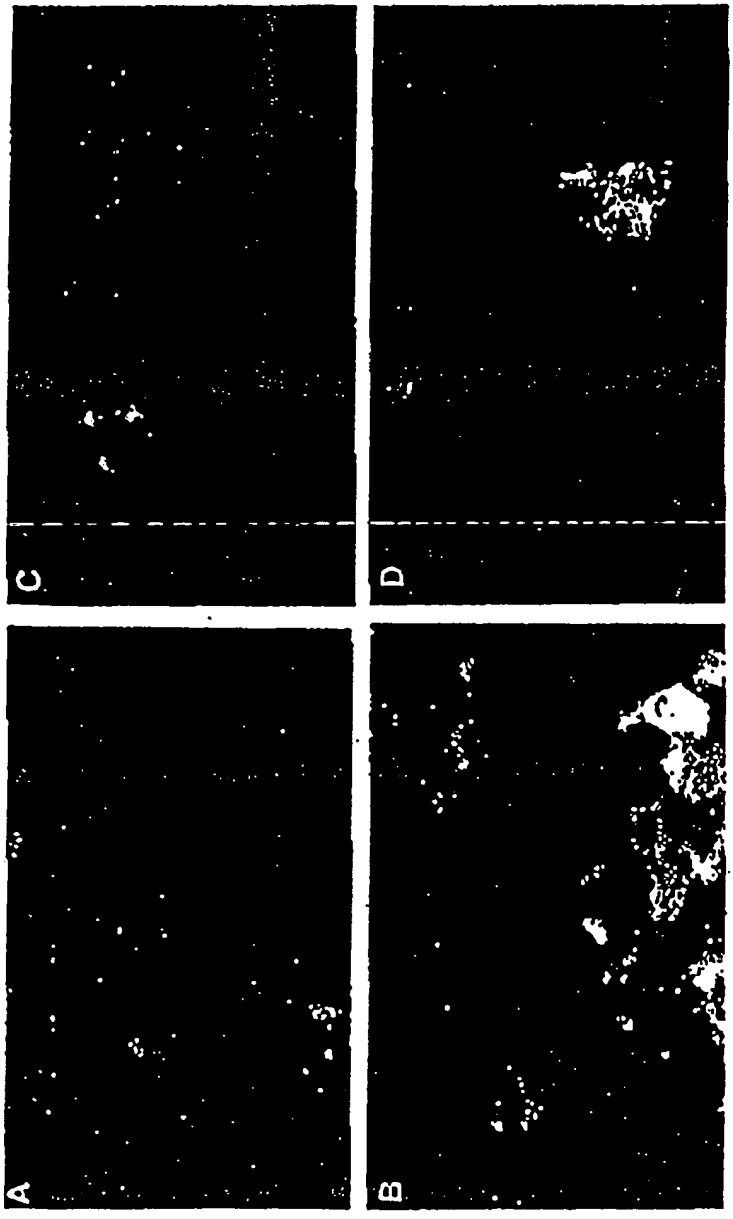


Figure 38C

Figure 38D

Figure 38A

Figure 38B

CLINICAL SIGNS MONKEY C — AGE 7 YEARS

DATE	EXAMINATION	HEART RATE (beats/min)	RESP RATE (breath/min)	TEMPERATURE (Celsius)	WEIGHT (Kg)
5/11/93	NORMAL	112	16	37.8	6.4
5/11/93		INFECTION			
5/14/93	NORMAL	98	14	38.1	
5/18/93	NORMAL	104	16	38.3	
6/4/93	NORMAL	108	16	38.2	
6/18/93	NORMAL	112	16	38.4	
6/24/93	NORMAL	116	18	38.6	
6/24/93		INFECTION			
16/28/93	NORMAL	104	18	37.9	
7/5/93	granulation	116	16	37.4	
7/12/93	NORMAL	114	20	38.3	
9/17/93	NORMAL	108	16	38.3	7

Figure 39A

CLINICAL SIGNS MONKEY D — AGE 7 YEARS

DATE	EXAMINATION	HEART RATE (beats/min)	RESP RATE (breath/min)	TEMPERATURE (Celsius)	WEIGHT (Kg)
5/11/93	NORMAL	108	18	38.3	6.25
5/11/93		INFECTION			
5/14/93	NORMAL	100	20	38.4	
5/18/93	NORMAL	98	20	38.4	
6/4/93	NORMAL	106	18	37.9	
6/18/93	NORMAL	100	19	38.4	
6/24/93	NORMAL	106	16	37.8	
6/24/93		INFECTION			
16/28/93	NORMAL	104	16	37.4	
7/5/93	NORMAL	102	14	38.8	
7/12/93	granulation	114	16	38	
9/17/93	NORMAL	104	16	38.3	6.4

Figure 39B

CLINICAL SIGNS MONKEY E — AGE 11 YEARS

DATE	EXAMINATION	HEART RATE (beats/min)	RESP RATE (breath/min)	TEMPERATURE (Celsius)	WEIGHT (Kg)
5/11/93	NORMAL	120	18	28.3	10
5/11/93		INFECTION			
5/14/93	NORMAL	112	20	37.9	
5/18/93	NORMAL	108	22	38.4	
6/4/93	NORMAL	112	20	38.3	
6/18/93	NORMAL	106	20	38.3	
6/24/93	NORMAL	108	18	38.9	
6/24/93		INFECTION			
16/28/93	NORMAL	112	20	38	
7/5/93	NORMAL	106	22	38.3	
7/12/93	NORMAL	114	16	38	
9/17/93	NORMAL	114	16	38.3	8.75

Figure 39C

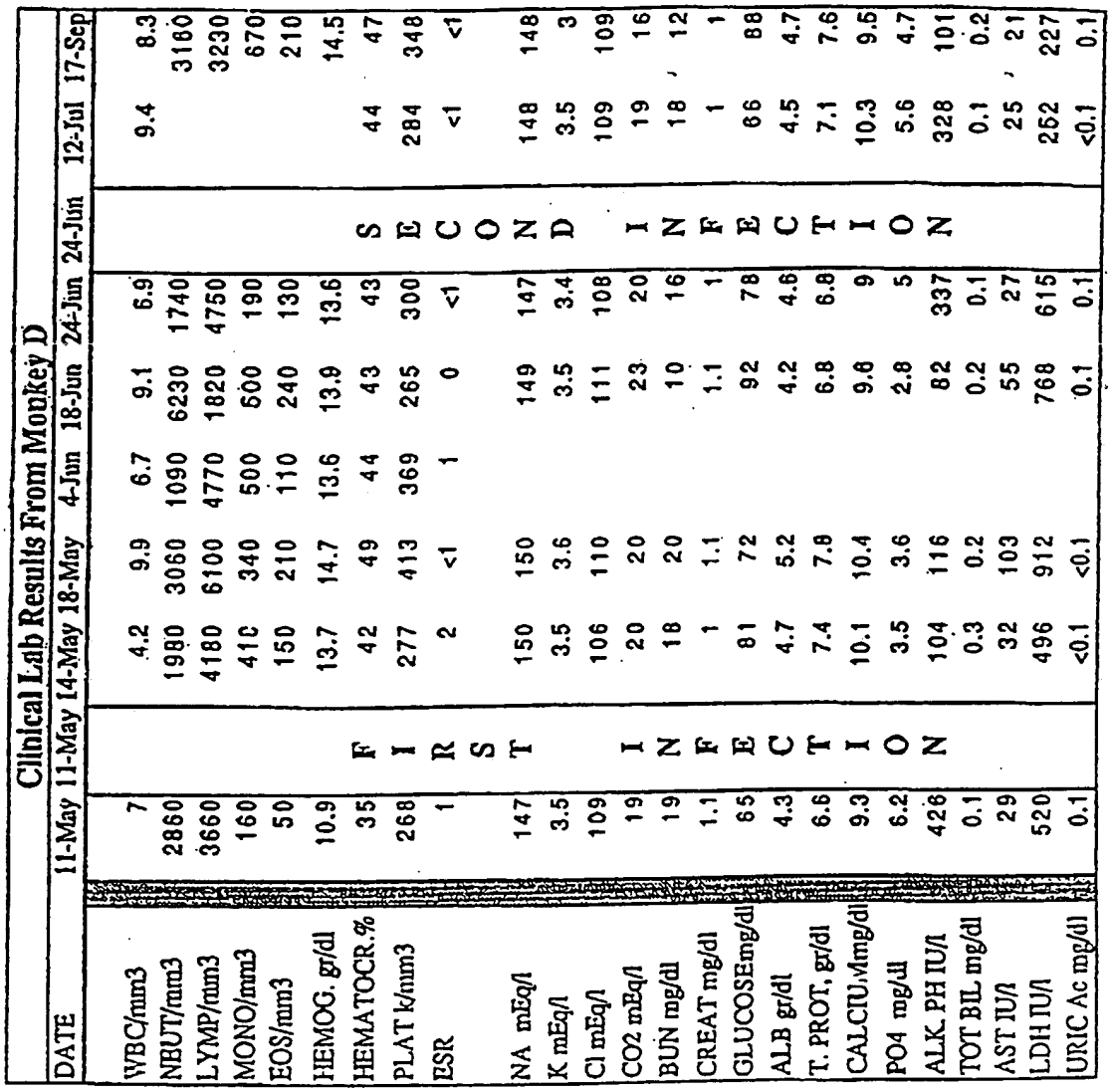
Monkey C

Clinical Lab Results From Monkey C

DATE	11-May	11-May	14-May	18-May	4-Jun	18-Jun	24-Jun	24-Jun	12-Jul	17-Sep
WBC/mm3	6.7		9	8.9	7.1	7.9	7.3		10.6	8.1
NEUT/mm3	1850		3990	3060	1480	3550	3450		2210	3950
LYMP/mm3	4460		4220	4770	4780	3840	2670		7270	3770
MONO/mm3	120		520	600	360	420	550		480	340
EOS/mm3	30		110	190	120	80	400		250	70
HEMOG. gr/dl	12.2		12	12.6	12.8	14	13.5		13.7	13.9
HEMATOCR.%	38	F	38	42	41	45	39	S	46	43
PLAT k/mm3	311	I	319	343	330	308	281	E	324	432
ESR	<1	R	1	1	1	0	<1	C	<1	<1
		S						O		
NA mEq/l	149	T	148	147		151	147	N	149	153
K mEq/l	3.6		3.6	2.6		3.8	3.1	D	3.4	3.6
Cl mEq/l	111		106	107		112	108		109	113
CO2 mEq/l	19	I	20	20		22	21	I	19	19
BUN mg/dl	11	N	18	11		14	13	N	16	23
CREAT mg/dl	1.1	F	1	1.2		1.1	1	F	1.1	1.2
GLUCOSEmg/dl	68	E	56	81		67	67	E	74	58
ALB gr/dl	4.7	C	4.3	4.7		4.9	4.2	C	4.5	4.5
T. PROT, gr/dl	7.3	T	6.7	7.1		7.4	6.9	T	7.1	7.4
CALCIUMmg/dl	10	I	9.3	9.9		10.2	9	I	10.1	9.5
PO4 mg/dl	3.3	O	5.9	5.7		2.9	5	O	3.7	3.4
ALK. PH IU/l	117	N	376	375		117	76	N	116	184
TOT BIL mg/dl	0.3		0.2	0.2		0.2	0.1		0.2	0.3
AST IU/l	38		37	45		28	25		45	34
LDH IU/l	601		599	740		277	406		458	220
URIC Ac mg/dl	0.1		0.1	<0.1		0.1	0.1		<0.1	0.1

Figure 40A

Monkey D



Clinical Lab Results From Monkey D													
DATE	11-May	11-May	14-May	18-May	4-Jun	18-Jun	24-Jun	24-Jun			12-Jul	17-Sep	
WBC/mm3	7		4.2	9.9	6.7	9.1	6.9				9.4	8.3	
NBUT/mm3	2860		1980	3060	1090	6230	1740					3160	
LYMP/mm3	3660		4180	6100	4770	1820	4750					3230	
MONO/mm3	160		410	340	500	600	190					670	
EOS/mm3	50		150	210	110	240	130					210	
HEMOG. gr/dl	10.9		13.7	14.7	13.6	13.9	13.6					14.5	
HEMATOCR.%	35	F	42	49	44	43	43	S			44	47	
PLAT k/mm3	268	I	277	413	369	265	300	E			284	348	
ESR	1	R	2	<1	1	0	<1	C			<1	<1	
		S						O					
NA mEq/l	147	T	150	150		149	147	N			148	148	
K mEq/l	3.5		3.5	3.6		3.5	3.4	D			3.5	3	
Cl mEq/l	109		106	110		111	108				109	109	
CO2 mEq/l	19	I	20	20		23	20	I			19	16	
BUN mg/dl	19	N	18	20		10	16	N			18	12	
CREAT mg/dl	1.1	F	1	1.1		1.1	1	F			1	1	
GLUCOSEmg/dl	65	E	81	72		92	78	E			66	88	
ALB gr/dl	4.3	C	4.7	5.2		4.2	4.6	C			4.5	4.7	
T. PROT, gr/dl	6.6	T	7.4	7.8		6.8	6.8	T			7.1	7.6	
CALCIU,Mmg/dl	9.3	I	10.1	10.4		9.8	9	I			10.3	9.6	
PO4 mg/dl	6.2	O	3.5	3.6		2.8	5	O			5.6	4.7	
ALK. PH IU/l	426	N	104	116		82	337	N			328	101	
TOT BIL mg/dl	0.1		0.3	0.2		0.2	0.1				0.1	0.2	
AST IU/l	29		32	103		55	27				25	21	
LDH IU/l	520		496	912		768	615				252	227	
URIC Ac mg/dl	0.1		<0.1	<0.1		0.1	0.1				<0.1	0.1	

Figure 40B

Clinical Lab Results From Monkey E

DATE	11-May	11-May	14-May	18-May	4-Jun	18-Jun	24-Jun	24-Jun	12-Jul	17-Sep
WBC/mm3	8.7		7.1		5.3	8.6	8.6		6.9	8.1
NEUT/mm3	4850		2060		3210	4480	2040			2592
LYMP/mm3	3060		4220		1510	3360	5610			5265
MONO/mm3	120		520		280	350	460			162
EOS/mm3	30		110		150	80	170			81
HEMOG. gr/dl	12.9		13.5		13.7	12.6	12.4		13.8	13.9
HEMATOCR.%	40	F	44		42	41	38	S	44	43
PLAT k/mm3	291	I	277		287	291	300	E	269	432
ESR	1	R	1		1	0	<1	C	<1	<1
		S						O		
NA mEq/l	148	T	151	147		148	149	N	148	150
K mEq/l	3		3.3	2.6		3.7	3.6	D	3.1	3.8
Cl mEq/l	110		110	107		110	111		109	110
CO2 mEq/l	16	I	25	20		22	23	I	21	20
BUN mg/dl	8	N	8	11		15	13	N	14	17
CREAT mg/dl	1.1	F	1.2	1.2		1.1	1	F	1	1.2
GLUCOSEmg/dl	115	E	83	102		86	65	E	87	69
ALB gr/dl	4	C	4.2	4.4		4.5	4.8	C	4	4.5
T. PROT, gr/dl	6.7	T	7	7.1		7	7.3	T	6.8	7
CALCIUMmg/dl	9.3	I	9.7	9.4		9.8	9.7	I	9.7	9.4
PO4 mg/dl	3.5	O	4.4	4.2		5.1	3.3	O	4.6	4.1
ALK. PH IU/l	68	N	84	90		393	116	N	75	355
TOT BIL mg/dl	0.2		0.2	0.3		0.1	0.2		0.2	2
AST IU/l	32		29	47		27	28		28	24
LDH IU/l	416		367	571		277	481		247	200
URIC Ac mg/dl	0.1		<0.1	<0.1		0.1	0.1		<0.1	<0.1

Figure 40C

CYTOLOGY MONKEY C

DATE	5/11/93	5/11/93	5/18/93	6/4/93	6/18/93	6/24/93	6/24/93	6/28/93	9/17/93
LEFT NOSTRIL									
Sq. Epith.	68	F	78	63	72	74	S	B	69
Resp. Epith.	30	I	18	34	24	25	E	I	30
Neutrophils	1	R	2	3	2	0	C	O	0
Lymphocytes	1	S	2	0	1	1	O	P	0
Eosinophils	0	T	0	0	1	0	N	S	1
							D	Y	

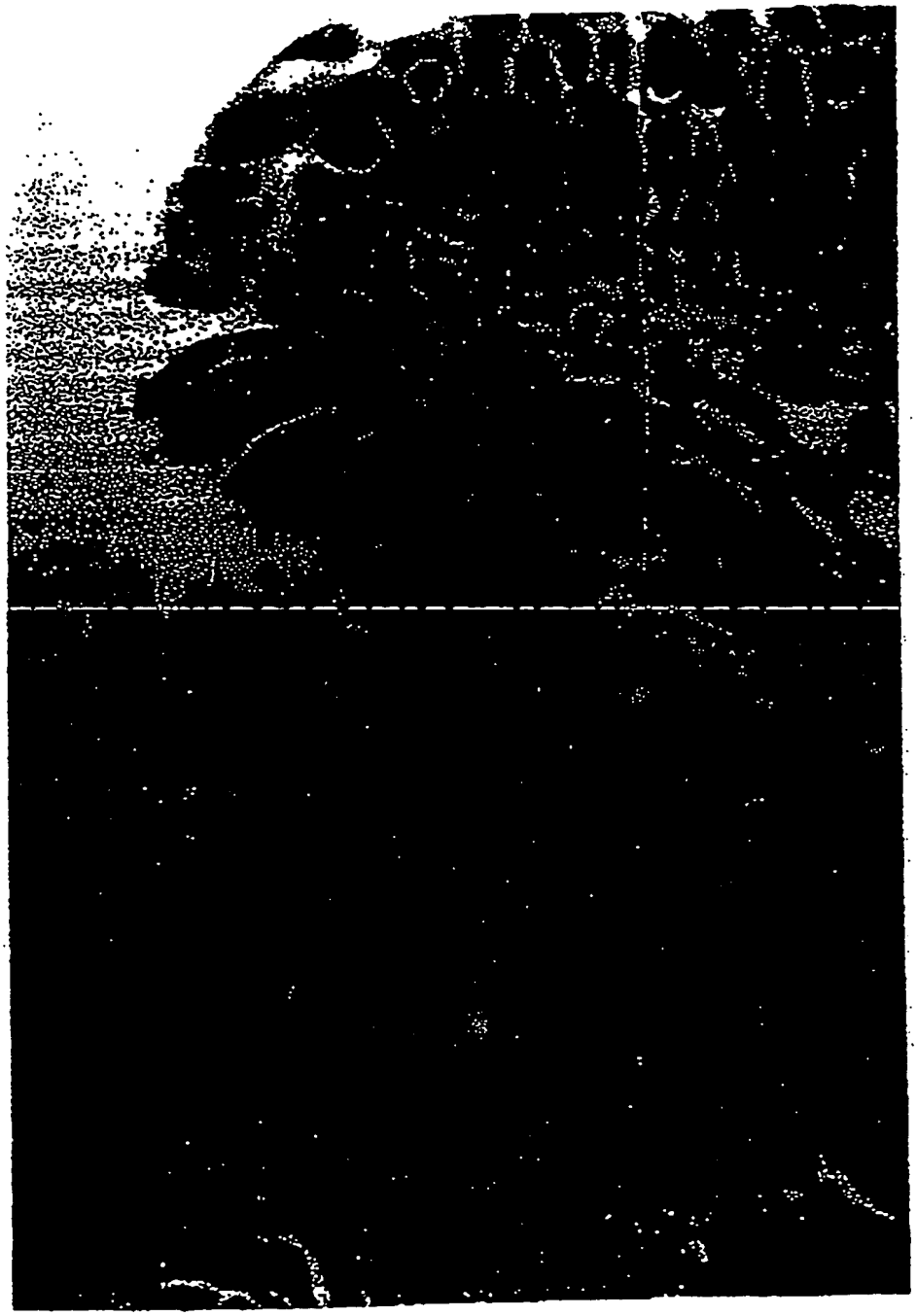
CYTOLOGY MONKEY D

DATE	5/11/93	5/11/93	5/18/93	6/4/93	6/18/93	6/24/93	6/24/93	7/5/93	9/17/93
LEFT NOSTRIL									
Sq. Epith.	60	F	60	72	72	84	S	B	73
Resp. Epith.	39	I	39	26	25	14	E	I	25
Neutrophils	1	R	1	0	1	2	C	O	2
Lymphocytes	0	S	2	2	1	0	O	P	0
Eosinophils	0	T	0	0	1	0	N	S	0
							D	Y	

CYTOLOGY MONKEY E

DATE	5/11/93	5/11/93	5/18/93	6/4/93	6/18/93	6/24/93	6/24/93	7/12/93	9/17/93
LEFT NOSTRIL									
Sq. Epith.	60	F	60	72	72	84	S	B	73
Resp. Epith.	39	I	39	26	25	14	E	I	25
Neutrophils	1	R	1	0	1	2	C	O	2
Lymphocytes	0	S	2	2	1	0	O	P	0
Eosinophils	0	T	0	0	1	0	N	S	0
							D	Y	

Figure 41



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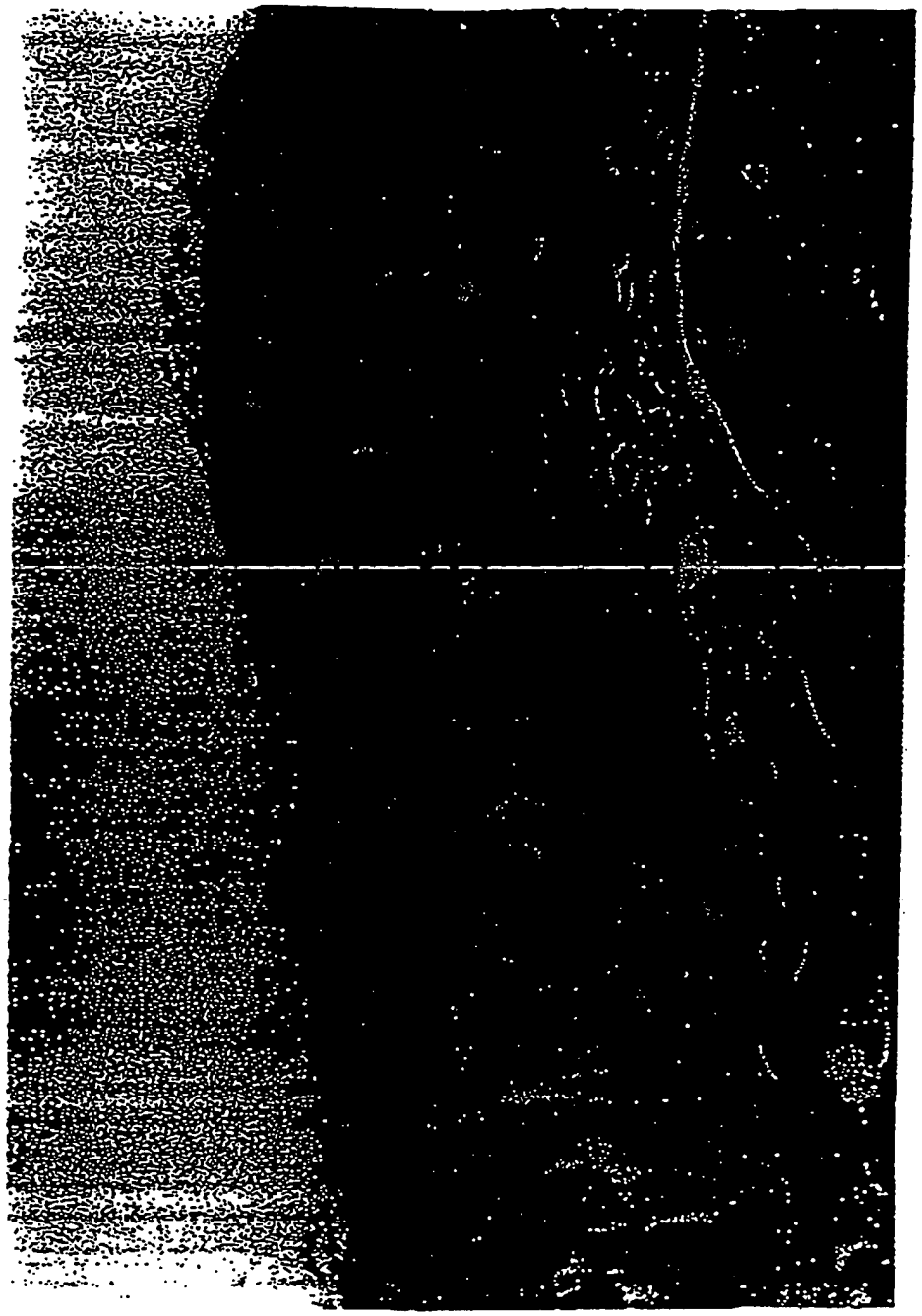

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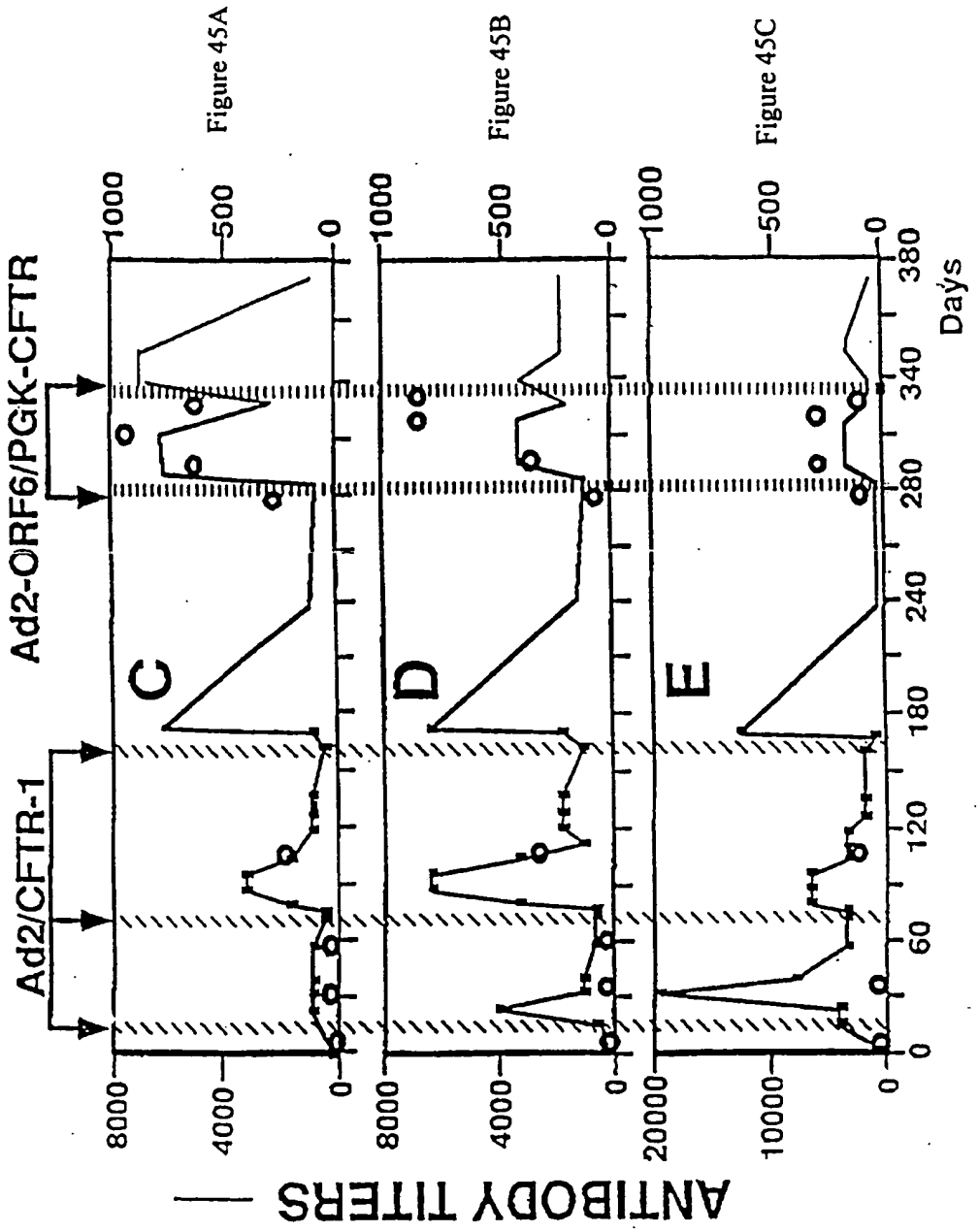

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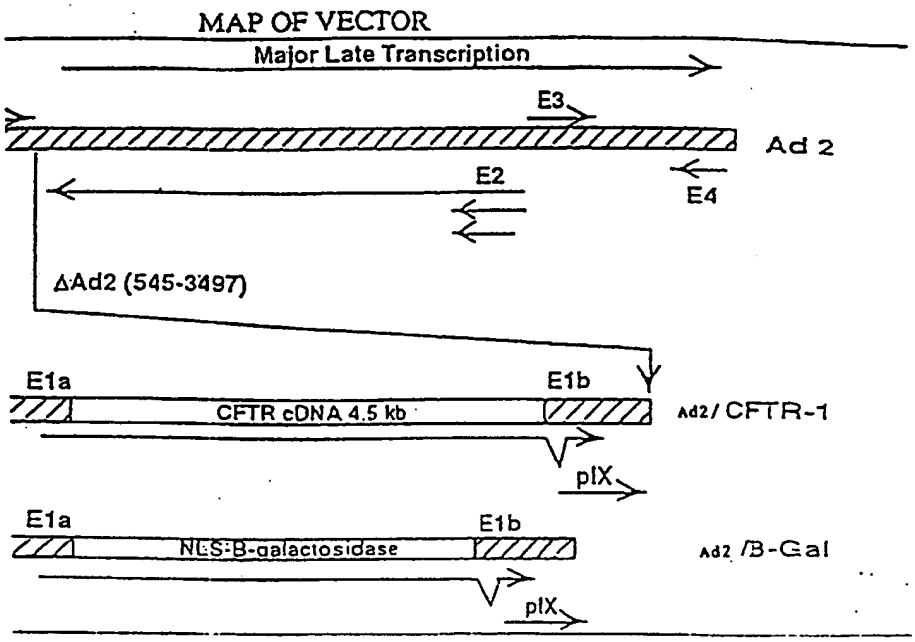
(57) Abstract

Gene Therapy vectors, which are especially useful for cystic fibrosis, and methods for using the vectors are disclosed. In preferred embodiments, the vectors are adenovirus-based. Advantages of adenovirus-based vectors for gene therapy are that they appear to be relatively safe and can be manipulated to encode the desired gene product and at the same time are inactivated in terms of their ability to replicate in a normal lytic viral life cycle. Additionally, adenovirus has a natural tropism for airway epithelia. Therefore, adenovirus-based vectors are particularly preferred for respiratory gene therapy applications such as gene therapy for cystic fibrosis. In one embodiment, the adenovirus-based gene therapy vector comprises an adenovirus 2 serotype genome in which the Ela and Elb regions of the genome, which are involved in early stages of viral replication have been deleted and replaced by genetic material of interest (e.g., DNA encoding the cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator protein). In another embodiment, the adenovirus-based therapy vector is a pseudo-adenovirus (PAV). PAVs contain no potentially harmful viral genes, have a theoretical capacity for foreign material of nearly 36 kb, may be produced in reasonably high titers and maintain the tropism of the parent adenovirus for dividing and non-dividing human target cell types.



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   Adenoviral vectors deleted for all E4 open reading frames except 6 or 3

3. Claims 17,19-21 (completely); 22,23 (partially):
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